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Molina**

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1 [NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION,
2 TUESDAY, APRIL 22, 2003, BEGINS ON PAGE 128.]

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4 There was no reportable action as a result of today's Closed
5 Session.

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8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** PLEASE TAKE YOUR SEATS. THE INVOCATION THIS
9 MORNING WILL BE BY SISTER JULIA MAY FARLEY, CENTER DIRECTOR,
10 GOOD SHEPHERD CENTER FOR HOMELESS WOMEN IN THE FIRST DISTRICT.
11 THE PLEDGE WILL BE BY ARMANDO J. SEJA, MEMBER, MEMBER OF THE
12 EAGLE ROCK POST NUMBER 276, THE AMERICAN LEGION, FROM THE
13 FIFTH DISTRICT.

14
15 **ARMANDO J. SEJA:** PLEASE RISE AND FACE THE FLAG.

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17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** NO, JUST ONE SEC -- EVERYONE PLEASE RISE
18 FOR THE INVOCATION. SISTER FARLEY?

19
20 **SISTER JULIA MARY FARLEY:** THANK YOU, THANK YOU.

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22 **ARMANDO J. SEJA:** PLEASE RISE AND FACE THE FLAG.

23
24 **SISTER JULIA MARY FARLEY:** THANK YOU FOR THE HONOR OF LEADING
25 THIS VOCATION -- INVOCATION THIS MORNING. THIS IS A NEW DAY



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1 THAT HAS NEVER BEEN BEFORE. THIS DAY IS GIVEN AS A GIFT,
2 ANOTHER DAY OF WONDER ON LIFE'S JOURNEY. I TAKE IT, LORD, FROM
3 YOUR HAND TO USE IN SERVICE TO OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS. HOW
4 SHALL I SPEND THIS DAY? I PRAY THAT PEACE IS A GIFT THAT
5 ACCOMPANIES THIS DAY. WITH THIS DAY COMES THE GRACE AND
6 STRENGTH TO BUILD UP THE HUMAN FAMILY WITH RESPECT AND LOVE.
7 AS WE REMEMBER PERSONS OF GOODNESS WHO HAVE JOURNEYED BEFORE
8 US, MAY WE LEARN FROM THEIR SIMPLICITY, THEIR STRENGTH, THEIR
9 HUMILITY. WHEN NIGHT FALLS, MAY I REMEMBER HAVING TOUCHED
10 OTHERS TODAY IN THE NAME OF GOODNESS AND PEACE. MAY THE WORLD
11 BE A LITTLE BETTER BECAUSE I HAVE HELPED SOMEONE. HAVE I FED
12 THE HUNGRY, GIVEN DRINK TO THE THIRSTY, CONSOLED THE
13 BROKENHEARTED IN SOME SMALL WAY? THIS DAY IS GIVEN AS A GIFT
14 TO BE SHARED AS A BLESSING ON OUR PILGRIMAGE OF LIFE. WE
15 APPRECIATE ALL THE HELP THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAS GIVEN
16 AND WE PRAY THAT THE LORD CONTINUES TO GIVE YOU THE STRENGTH
17 AND WISDOM TO SUPPORT THE POOR AND DISADVANTAGED IN OUR
18 CITIES. MAY WE ALL SHARE IN THE GOODNESS AND GRACIOUSNESS OF
19 THE LORD. AMEN.

20

21 **ARMANDO J. SEJA:** PLEASE PLACE YOUR HAND OVER YOUR HEART AND
22 JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE]

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24 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA WILL BE A LITTLE BIT
25 LATE, BUT I'D LIKE TO MAKE THIS PRESENTATION TO SISTER JULIA



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1 MARY FARLEY, WHO SERVES AS DIRECTOR OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD
2 CENTER FOR HOMELESS WOMEN. SHE HAS SERVED AS DIRECTOR OF THE
3 CENTER SINCE ITS INCEPTION IN 1984. HER 20 YEARS' EXPERIENCE
4 AS A HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR AND A MASTER'S DEGREE IN SCIENCE
5 AND HEALTH ARE TREMENDOUS ASSETS IN HER WORK WITH THE
6 HOMELESS. GOOD SHEPHERD'S MANY SERVICES INCLUDE MOBILE
7 OUTREACH, DROP-IN SERVICES, TRANSITIONAL LIVING RESIDENCES,
8 LONG-TERM AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR FORMERLY HOMELESS WOMEN, AND
9 SOCIAL SERVICE CENTERS, AMONG OTHERS. WE'RE VERY PLEASED TO
10 HAVE YOU WITH US THIS MORNING, AND THANK YOU FOR THAT
11 INSPIRATIONAL PRAYER. [APPLAUSE]

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE ARMANDO SEJA FROM
16 EAGLE ROCK, WHO LED -- I SHOULD SAY SERVED IN THE UNITED
17 STATES ARMY IN THE LIBERATION OF THE PHILIPPINES DURING 1944
18 TO '46 WHERE HE WAS A PRIVATE 1ST CLASS, HE'S A RETIRED
19 CABINET MAKER AND HE'S MARRIED WITH EIGHT CHILDREN AND WE
20 WOULD LIKE TO THANK HIM FOR COMING DOWN AND LEADING US IN THAT
21 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ARMANDO. [APPLAUSE]

22

23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE'LL NOW HAVE THE AGENDA, YES.

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1 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** I'LL CALL THE AGENDA. MADAM CHAIR AND
2 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I'M GOING TO DISPOSE OF A FEW ITEMS, SO
3 BEGINNING ON PAGE 5, ITEM 4, THERE'S A REQUEST TO CANCEL THE
4 AUCTION PER THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER AND THEN AN
5 INSTRUCTION TO THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE BOARD TO RETURN
6 THE UNOPENED BIDS. IF I COULD HAVE A MOTION ON THAT.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO MOVED.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY KNABE.
11 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

12

13 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** THANK YOU. ON ITEM NUMBER 10, JUST A
14 CORRECTION AS NOTED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA THAT THE
15 WASTE MANAGEMENT FEE SHOULD BE .86 PER TON. THIS MATTER WILL
16 BE ADDRESSED WHEN WE TAKE UP THE PUBLIC HEARINGS.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

19

20 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** ITEM NUMBER 11, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
21 REQUESTS THAT THIS HEARING BE CONTINUED TO MAY 27, 2003, AT
22 1:00 P.M.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, WITHOUT OBJECTION, ITEM 11 WILL
25 BE CONTINUED TO MAY 27 AT 1:00 P.M.



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2 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** THANK YOU. ON PAGE 8, THE BOARD OF
3 SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 12 THROUGH 28, I HAVE THE FOLLOWING
4 REQUEST. SUPERVISOR KNABE IS REQUESTING THAT ITEM 19 BE
5 CONTINUED FOR ONE WEEK.

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7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, 19 WILL BE CONTINUED FOR
8 ONE WEEK.

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10 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** SUPERVISOR BURKE REQUESTS THAT ITEM 20
11 BE CONTINUED FOR ONE WEEK.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, NUMBER 20 WILL BE
14 CONTINUED FOR ONE WEEK.

15

16 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT
17 ITEM 28 BE HELD, THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

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19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY KNABE,
20 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. HOLDING 28, ON THE REMAINDER.

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22 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** OKAY, THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER,
23 ITEMS 29 AND 30. I HAVE THE FOLLOWING REQUEST. SUPERVISOR
24 BURKE REQUESTS THAT AB-340 UNDER ITEM 29 BE CONTINUED ONE



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1 WEEK, AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH IS VOTING "NO" ON THE SUPPORT
2 AND AMEND AB-348.

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHY ARE WE -- WHY DO YOU WANT TO CONTINUE
7 THE OPPOSITION TO AB-340?

8

9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I BELIEVE THAT THERE IS, IN SACRAMENTO,
10 THAT'S GOING BACK AND FORTH, IT HAS NOT BEEN SET FOR A
11 HEARING, AND I WOULD HAVE NO PROBLEM IN, IF YOU HAVE -- YOU
12 HAVE A PROBLEM IN CONTINUING IT?

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I MEAN, I -- I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM
15 GENERICALLY CONTINUING IT, I JUST CAN'T IMAGINE A CIRCUMSTANCE
16 UNDER WHICH WE WOULDN'T OPPOSE THE BILL, AS IT'S WRITTEN, SO
17 IF THIS IS THE ONE THAT WOULD REQUIRE US TO ARM PROBATION
18 OFFICERS.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I THINK THAT, FIRST OF ALL, THAT IT'S --
21 THERE'S A GREAT DEAL OF DISCUSSION GOING ON BETWEEN THE UNION
22 WHO'S PUSHING THE BILL AND CERTAINLY THE CHAIR OF THE
23 COMMITTEE AND THE SPEAKER AS FAR AS THE BILL, AND CERTAINLY
24 LIKE TO -- PERSONALLY I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THAT IT BE
25 CONTINUED, IF YOU HAVE AN OPPOSITION TO IT --



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IF THERE'S NO HEARING IN THE NEXT WEEK, IS?

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** NO, THERE'S NO HEARING NEXT WEEK.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, YEAH, I DON'T HAVE ANY PROBLEM.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WITHOUT OBJECTION, 340 WILL BE
9 CONTINUED FOR ONE WEEK.

10

11 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** AND I NEED A MOTION ON AB-348.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MOVE IT.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY KNABE,
16 LET IT BE RECORDED THAT ANTONOVICH VOTES "NO."

17

18 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** THANK YOU. ITEM 30 IS ALSO BEFORE YOU.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY
21 KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

22

23 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** ARTS COMMISSION, ITEM 31.

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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY.

2 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** FIRE DEPARTMENT, ITEM 32.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY KNABE.

7 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

8

9 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** HEALTH SERVICES, ITEM 33. I HAVE A
10 REQUEST THAT ITEM -- I'M SORRY, THAT ACCOUNT NUMBER 4438115 BE
11 APPROVED AND THAT THE REMAINING ACCOUNTS BE REFERRED BACK TO
12 THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** MOVE IT.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. BE MOVED THAT THE FIRST ACCOUNT
17 BE -- WHICH IS THE 4438 ACCOUNT, BE APPROVED AND THE OTHER
18 REFERRED BACK. MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT
19 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

20

21 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** ITEM 34, HUMAN RESOURCES. I HAVE THE
22 FOLLOWING REQUESTS. HOLD FOR SUPERVISORS MOLINA, YAROSLAVSKY,
23 AND DAN HOUSEHOLDER AND I ALSO HAVE A REQUEST THAT THE ITEM BE
24 CONTINUED THREE WEEKS FOR SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL, WE WILL HOLD IT. THREE WEEKS IS OKAY?

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHICH ITEM IS THAT?

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5 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** 34. THERE'S NO OBJECTION TO THREE WEEKS.

6 OKAY. MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY KNABE BE CONTINUED FOR

7 THREE WEEKS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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9 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** MENTAL HEALTH, ITEM 35.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH.

12 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** PROBATION, ITEM 36, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR

15 MOLINA. PUBLIC LIBRARY, ITEMS 37 THROUGH 39.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY

18 YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

19

20 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** PUBLIC WORKS, ITEMS 40 THROUGH 44.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY.

23 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

24

25 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** SHERIFF, ITEM 45 --



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR 37, WE WERE HOLDING 37, 'CAUSE I
3 DON'T KNOW HOW --

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5 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES.

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9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY.

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** MOVE RECONSIDERATION.

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13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED THAT
14 RECONSIDERATION BE GRANTED ON 37. WITHOUT OBJECTION. ON 37,
15 WILL BE HELD. ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED
16 BY KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

17

18 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** ITEMS -- OKAY, WE ALREADY HAD A MOTION
19 ON 40 THROUGH 44.

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21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

22

23 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** SHERIFF, ITEM 45.

24



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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY KNABE.

2 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR, ITEM 46.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY KNABE.

7 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

8

9 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS, ITEMS 47

10 AND 48.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY KNABE,

13 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

14

15 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION --

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED -- I HAVE, LET ME READ THOSE INTO THE

18 RECORD, ITEM 49 IS AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THROUGH DECEMBER

19 31ST, 2003, THE PETROLEUM PIPELINE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO UNION

20 OIL COMPANY BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 10896 AS AMENDED.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE'LL TAKE A MOTION ON THAT. MOVED BY

23 ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY KNABE. LET'S TAKE A ROLL CALL ON THAT,

24 ON 49.

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1 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** OKAY. WE HAVE SUPERVISOR MOLINA OUT.

2 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M SORRY. SAY THAT AGAIN.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ON 49.

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8 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** ON 49, A ROLL CALL VOTE ON THE ORDINANCE
9 FOR INTRODUCTION.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AYE.

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13 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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15 **SUP. KNABE:** AYE.

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17 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AYE.

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21 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** SUPERVISOR BURKE.

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23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AYE. ALL RIGHT, SO IT'S 4-0, MOLINA WAS NOT
24 PRESENT AND DID NOT VOTE.

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1 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** OKAY, ON ITEM NUMBER 50 WE HAVE A
2 CONTINUANCE OF THREE WEEKS BECAUSE IT RELATES TO ITEM NUMBER
3 34. SO IT WOULD BE CONTINUED FOR THREE WEEKS ALONG WITH THAT
4 ITEM.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION THE -- ITEM 50 WILL BE
7 CONTINUED FOR THREE WEEKS.

8

9 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** ITEM 51 IS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA
10 REQUESTED BY BOARD MEMBERS AND THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE
11 OFFICER, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF
12 THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
13 ITEM 51-A.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY KNABE.
16 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

17

18 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** 51-B.

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20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY
21 YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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23 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** 51-C.

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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY KNABE.

2 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** 51-D.

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6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I THINK THEY'RE GOING TO HOLD THAT FOR A
7 REPORT?

8

9 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** YES WE'LL HOLD THAT FOR REPORT. THAT
10 COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS'
11 SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NUMBER 2.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE'RE VERY PLEASED TO HAVE CONGRESSWOMAN
14 JUANITA MCDONALD, WHO IS HERE TODAY, AND SHE HAS HAD AN ANNUAL
15 A.I.D.S. WALK THAT HAS BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL OVER THE YEARS AND
16 CERTAINLY WE HAVE ALL SUPPORTED IT, AND THIS SATURDAY, THE
17 LEAGUE OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN WOMEN WILL HOLD ITS ANNUAL SOUTHERN
18 CALIFORNIA REGIONAL A.I.D.S. WALK FOR MINORITY WOMEN AND
19 CHILDREN. THIS IS THE ONLY EVENT IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
20 DEDICATED TO SUPPORTING SERVICES FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN WITH
21 H.I.V./A.I.D.S. ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, I
22 PROCLAIM APRIL 26TH, 2003, AS LOS ANGELES COUNTY A.I.D.S. WALK
23 DAY. AND A NOTICE WAS DISTRIBUTED TO ALL COUNTY EMPLOYEES IN
24 THEIR LAST PAYCHECK ENCOURAGING THEM TO PARTICIPATE AND
25 PROVIDE ANY ASSISTANCE WITH THIS WALK. I'M VERY PLEASED TO



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1 PRESENT THIS SCROLL COMMEMORATING LOS ANGELES COUNTY A.I.D.S.
2 WALK DAY TO CONGRESSWOMAN JUANITA MELINDER MCDONALD. VERY
3 PLEASED TO HAVE YOU HERE. [APPLAUSE]

4

5 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE? WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY A
6 WORD OR?

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, NO WE -- I JUST WANT TO JUST ADD OUR STRONG
9 SUPPORT. WE'VE WORKED WITH HER OVER THESE YEARS AND IT'S AN
10 INCREDIBLE EVENT AND ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO PARTICIPATE AND
11 THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE.

12

13 **JUANITA MCDONALD:** THANK YOU AND GOOD MORNING TO THIS
14 OUTSTANDING BODY OF SUPERVISORS, TO THE LEADERSHIP OF
15 SUPERVISOR YVONNE BURKE AND TO MY OTHER SUPERVISOR IN THE LONG
16 BEACH AREA, SUPERVISOR DON KNABE, BUT TO ALL OF MY FRIENDS
17 HERE, WE THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR PROCLAIMING SATURDAY, APRIL 26,
18 AS L.A. COUNTY A.I.D.S. DAY. AS WE ALL KNOW THAT THIS IS A
19 MAJOR HEALTH CRISIS IN THE COMMUNITIES OF COLOR WITH AFRICAN-
20 AMERICANS BEING DISPROPORTIONATELY OUTNUMBERED. AS DOCUMENTED
21 IN THE NOVEMBER ISSUE OF "EBONY," L.A., LOS ANGELES,
22 REPRESENTS 40% OF NEW A.I.D.S. CASES WITH AFRICAN-AMERICAN
23 WOMEN, WITH LATINOS -- LATINAS, RATHER, INCREASING BY NUMBERS,
24 TO 20%. AND SO WE ARE HERE TODAY TO RECEIVE THIS PROCLAMATION
25 FROM THESE OUTSTANDING SUPERVISORS AND, AS I RETURN BACK TO



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1 WASHINGTON, I'M GOING TO CHALLENGE EVERY BODY OF SUPERVISORS
2 AROUND THE COUNTRY TO PROCLAIM A DAY AS A.I.D.S. DAY BECAUSE
3 IT IS A CRITICAL HEALTH ISSUE IN OUR COMMUNITIES. AGAIN, THANK
4 YOU, CHAIRWOMAN BURKE, AND TO ALL OF THE OTHER SUPERVISORS,
5 THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

6

7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND, OF COURSE, SHE HAS ALWAYS BEEN A GREAT
8 HELP TO US ON TRANSPORTATION, ON PUBLIC WORKS THERE, AND WE'LL
9 CONTINUE TO BE WORKING WITH HER ON SOME OF THOSE ISSUES. ALL
10 RIGHT. WE'D LIKE TO ASK THE L.A. COUNTY FIRE FIGHTERS FROM
11 STATION 58 TO COME FORWARD. THERE THEY ARE, AS THEY'RE COMING
12 FORWARD, LET ME JUST TELL YOU A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED
13 AND WHY THEY'RE HERE. LAST FEBRUARY 25TH AROUND 10:00 A.M. A
14 FIRE BROKE OUT AT THE SUMMIT MOTEL IN THE 5000 BLOCK OF LA
15 BREA AVENUE. THE L.A. COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT WAS NOTIFIED
16 IMMEDIATELY, AND ACCORDING TO THE MOTEL OWNER, ARRIVED IN
17 RECORD TIME. THE TEAM OF FIRE FIGHTERS, LED BY CAPTAIN TOMMY
18 ORSO, CARRIED OUT THEIR DUTIES WITH DISPATCH. IT IS BELIEVED
19 THAT THEIR SPEEDY AND THOROUGH, PROFESSIONAL ACTION SAVED NOT
20 ONLY THE MOTEL, BUT, MOST IMPORTANTLY, ITS GUESTS. THE SUMMIT
21 MOTEL SERVES AS A TRANSITIONAL SHELTER FOR HOMELESS PEOPLE
22 WITH H.I.V./A.I.D.S. WHO LIVE THERE UNTIL ROOM IS AT -- UNTIL
23 THEY GET AN OPPORTUNITY TO ROOM IN A PERMANENT RESIDENT
24 FACILITY. THE MOTEL -- THE HOTEL RESIDENTS ALSO INCLUDE PEOPLE
25 WAITING TO ENTER TREATMENT CENTERS FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE. EVERY



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1 TIME FIRE FIGHTERS ROLL OUT TO FIGHT A FIRE, THEY PUT THEIR
2 LIVES AT RISK, AND IT'S WITH GREAT PRIDE THAT I RECOGNIZE
3 THESE GREAT L.A. COUNTY FIRE FIGHTERS. THEY DO THIS EVERY DAY,
4 BUT PARTICULARLY IN THIS CASE, WE WANTED TO RECOGNIZE THEM. [
5 APPLAUSE]

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7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** CAPTAIN TOMMY ORSO. BRIAN BURN. HE'S NOT
8 HERE. PAUL SCHUSTER. [APPLAUSE]

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10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** LYNN TIRIS. [APPLAUSE]

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12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** KEVIN BALTUM HERE? KEVIN BALTUM, IS THAT
13 RIGHT? [APPLAUSE]

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15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THERE ARE A NUMBER OF OTHER PEOPLE HERE WHO
16 WE WERE GOING TO RECOGNIZE, BUT WHO IS GOING TO SPEAK?
17 CAPTAIN, I THINK YOU'RE PROBABLY GOING TO MAKE THE -- OR WHO
18 IS GOING TO SPEAK?

19

20 **CAPTAIN TOMMY ORSO:** I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO THE PEOPLE
21 WHO GAVE US THIS AWARD TODAY. WE WERE JUST DOING OUR JOB,
22 SOMETHING THAT WE DO EVERY DAY, WE TRAIN EVERY DAY TO MAKE
23 SURE THAT WE KNOW WHAT WE'RE DOING, AND THAT WHEN WE HAVE A
24 FIRE IN CERTAIN AREAS THAT WE ATTACK IT AND PUT IT OUT



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1 EXPEDITIOUSLY WITH NO TROUBLE AND TRY TO SAVE THE PROPERTY AS
2 MUCH AS WE CAN. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** KNABE'S GRANDDAUGHTER WAS LOOKING AT THE
5 FIREMEN WITH GREAT ADMIRATION. CHIEF FREEMAN?

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7 **CHIEF FREEMAN:** WELL THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISORS, AND JUST
8 LIKE TO THANK ALSO MR. PICKET, WHO'S BEEN DOWN HERE TWICE NOW
9 TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS RECOGNITION. HE'S THE PROPRIETOR AND
10 OWNER OF THE PROPERTY AND WAS VERY INSTRUMENTAL IN CALLING TO
11 THE BOARD'S ATTENTION THE ACTION OF THE FIRE FIGHTERS. AND
12 AGAIN, IN TALKING WITH THE FIRE FIGHTERS, AS ALWAYS, THEY SAID
13 THEY WERE JUST DOING THEIR JOB, BUT WE APPRECIATE THE BOARD OF
14 SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING THEM FOR THE JOB THAT THEY DO DO AND
15 PROTECTING A LIFE AND PROPERTY, SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH THIS
16 MORNING, CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR FIRE FIGHTERS. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I'D LIKE TO CALL THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
19 JAMES A. DOOLITTLE AWARD TO COME FORWARD. WELL, BEFORE WE DO
20 THAT, LET ME -- I SEE WE HAVE THE CULVER CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT
21 RIGHT HERE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
22 OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ARE CONCERNED WITH THE GROWING
23 NUMBER OF NEWBORN INFANTS ABANDONED IN THE COUNTY. AND THE
24 STATE PASSED SB 1368, THE NEWBORN ABANDONMENT LAW, WHICH IS
25 OFTEN REFERRED TO THE SAFE HAVEN LAW, THAT PROVIDES NO PARENT



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1 OR OTHER PERSON HAVING LAWFUL CUSTODY OF A MINOR CHILD
2 SEVENTY-TWO HOURS OLD OR YOUNGER MAY NOT -- MAY BE PROSECUTED
3 FOR CHILD ABANDONMENT IF HE VOLUNTARY SURRENDERS PHYSICAL
4 CUSTODY, AND THAT'S -- SUPERVISOR KNABE HAS LED THE WAY IN
5 THAT SAFE HAVEN LAW IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE FIRE CHIEF OF
6 THE CITY OF CULVER CITY HAS DETERMINED THE FEASIBILITY OF
7 IMPLEMENTING SAFE HAVEN SITES AT ALL CITY -- OF CULVER CITY
8 FIRE DEPARTMENTS, FIRE STATIONS UNDER CURRENT LAW AND UPON
9 ADOPTION OF THIS RESOLUTION, WILL DESIGNATE APPROPRIATE
10 EMPLOYEES TO TAKE FISCAL CUSTODY OF A SURRENDERED NEWBORN
11 PURSUANT TO THAT STATE LAW, AND WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE THE
12 CITY OF CULVER CITY FOR THEIR ACTION AND IN -- DESIGNATION,
13 AND WE KNOW THAT THEY'RE GOING TO SAVE MANY LIVES, NOT ONLY AS
14 FIRE FIGHTERS, BUT ALSO THESE CHILDREN WHO COME TO ANY SITE,
15 ANY FIRE STATION IN CULVER CITY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY A WORD?

18

19 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, WE'RE PROUD TO BE PART OF THIS
20 WORTHWHILE PROGRAM.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NOW WE'LL CALL THE
23 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE JAMES A. DOOLITTLE AWARD AND L.A.
24 COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION FORWARD TO MAKE A PRESENTATION. IS THAT
25 -- OH, HERE WE ARE, I WAS GOING TO SAY IS HIS --



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2 **SPEAKER:** NO BUT I JUST WANTED TO INTRODUCE TO YOU, SUPERVISOR,
3 THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF THEATRE L.A., PAULA HOLT, AND THE
4 PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. OF THEATRE L.A., LEE WALKNER, WHO ARE
5 GOING TO MAKE THIS PRESENTATION TO YOU AND THE OTHER BOARD
6 MEMBERS.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. COULD WE ASK ALL THE BOARD
9 MEMBERS TO COME FORWARD? SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND SUPERVISOR
10 MOLINA AND ANTONOVICH, WOULD YOU COME FORWARD SO THEY MAKE
11 THIS PRESENTATION?

12

13 **PAULA HOLT:** GOOD MORNING. I'M PAULA HOLT, AND I'M CHAIR OF THE
14 BOARD OF THEATRE L.A. WE ARE THE PERFORMING ARTS LEAGUE FOR
15 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND WE REPRESENT THEATERS AS DIVERSE AS
16 THE WATTS VILLAGE PLAYERS AND EAST/WEST PLAYERS AND THE LOS
17 ANGELES OPERA, AND THE MARK TAPER FORUM. AT THE 2002 OVATION
18 AWARDS CEREMONY, IT WAS OUR PLEASURE TO AWARD TO THE L.A.
19 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OUR JAMES A. DOOLITTLE AWARD FOR
20 LEADERSHIP IN THE THEATRE. WE ARE ALL AWARE OF HOW SCARY IT IS
21 TO BE IN THE PERFORMING ARTS THESE DAYS AND IT'S OUR JOB AT
22 THEATRE L.A. TO MAKE IT A LITTLE LESS SCARY, AND IT'S THE WORK
23 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THAT HAS MADE OUR JOB POSSIBLE.
24 SO, SUPERVISORS ANTONOVICH AND YAROSLAVSKY WERE THERE TO



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1 RECEIVE THE AWARD IN PERSON AND WE WISH TO COME TODAY AND GIVE
2 THE AWARDS TO THE REST OF YOU TODAY, THANK YOU.

3

4 **LEE WATTNER:** I'D JUST LIKE TO ADD TO THAT, THAT THE SUPPORT OF
5 THE PERFORMING ARTS SHOWN BY THE SUPERVISORS IS REALLY ON A
6 NATIONAL LEVEL COMPARED TO COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE UNITED
7 STATES. L.A.'S VAST CULTURAL RESOURCES AND RICHNESS OFTEN
8 DIRECTLY COMES FROM THE WORK OF THE SUPERVISORS AND THE COUNTY
9 ARTS COMMISSION. WE'RE DEEPLY APPRECIATIVE, AND JUST ONE OF
10 THE THINGS THAT THAT RESULTS IN IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR EVERYONE
11 TO BE ABLE TO ATTEND THEATRE, MUSIC, DANCE, AND OPERA THROUGH
12 HALF PRICED TICKETS ACCESSIBLE THROUGH OUR WEB SITE,
13 WWW.THEATRELA.ORG, WHICH IS LARGELY SUPPORTED BY THE COUNTY
14 ARTS COMMISSION AND THE COUNTY SUPERVISORS. WE'RE SENDING
15 LOADS OF PEOPLE TO THE PERFORMING ARTS WHO OTHERWISE NEVER
16 FELT INVITED, AND THAT'S LARGELY DUE TO THE WORK OF THE
17 SUPERVISORS, AND SO WE'RE GRATEFUL, AND WE PRESENT THEM WITH
18 THE AWARD FOR LEADERSHIP IN THE THEATRE.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL THANK YOU VERY MUCH, AND I KNOW THAT
21 ONE OF THE THINGS THAT THIS BOARD IS ALWAYS 5-0 ON IS
22 SUPPORTING THE ARTS, AND LONG-TIME SUPPORTERS OF THE ARTS IN
23 EVERY FORM, IN THEATRE AS WELL AS IN VISUAL ARTS, AND SO WE
24 WANT TO THANK YOU AND CONGRATULATE YOU ON THE JOB THAT YOU'RE
25 DOING. **LEE WATTNER:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA? I'M SORRY. SUPERVISOR
3 YAROSLAVSKY IS NEXT. HE DOESN'T HAVE ANY. SUPERVISOR KNABE,
4 THEN.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I
7 HAVE A SPECIAL PRESENTATION, I'D LIKE TO BE IN WITH THE SAFE
8 SURRENDER AS WELL AND I'D LIKE TO CALL CHIEF MARK SOUDER OF
9 THE DOWNEY FIRE DEPARTMENT TO JOIN ME UP HERE. WE HAVE A
10 NUMBER OF CITIES COMING TOGETHER FROM THE VARIOUS DISTRICTS
11 AND SINCE THE BOARD APPROVED THIS SAFE SURRENDER TASK FORCE
12 RECOMMENDATIONS ON JUNE 4TH OF LAST YEAR, THERE HAVE BEEN 13
13 NEWBORNS SAFELY SURRENDERED IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. CHIEF
14 SOUDER WAS TELLING ME JUST I BELIEVE IT WAS ON HALLOWEEN?
15 HALLOWEEN, THE CITY OF DOWNEY RECEIVED A SAFE SURRENDER. AND
16 SO THE CITY OF DOWNEY IS JOINING ALL THE OTHER FIRE STATIONS
17 AND FIREMEN THROUGHOUT THE GREAT COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, AND WE
18 WANT TO PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO CHIEF SOUDER AND TO THE CITY OF
19 DOWNEY AND TO THANK YOU AND SAY WELCOME ABOARD. [APPLAUSE]

20

21 **CHIEF MARK SOUDER:** ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF DOWNEY AND THE
22 CITY OF DOWNEY FIRE DEPARTMENT, I'D JUST LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU
23 FOR THIS RECOGNITION WE'LL BE PROUD TO POST THE SIGNS AND MAKE
24 SURE OUR PEOPLE ARE READY FOR ANOTHER SAFE SURRENDER, SO THANK
25 YOU FOR YOUR HELP.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. NEXT, IT'S MY PLEASURE TO INVITE MURIEL

3 MACGREGOR TO THE STAGE, AND JOINING HER TODAY ARE MAYOR PRO

4 TEM DOROTHY KING, COUNCIL MEMBER JOHN PRATT, AND COUNCIL

5 MEMBER RANDY BAUMGARSH FROM THE CITY OF BELLFLOWER. ALSO IN

6 THE AUDIENCE, I UNDERSTAND THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR MIKE EGAN

7 AND RICH PIERCE, THE DIRECTOR OF PARKS, PUBLIC AFFAIRS

8 MANAGER, JEFF HOBBS AND THE VIDEO SYSTEM OPERATOR, JACK FORT,

9 MAN WE HAVE EVERYBODY HERE. WHO'S IN THE CITY OF BELLFLOWER

10 TODAY? AND PARKS AND RECREATIONS PROGRAM ASSISTANT STEVE KING.

11 MURIEL HAS BEEN A TRUE TREASURE IN THE CITY OF BELLFLOWER FOR

12 MORE THAN 50 YEARS. SHE HAS BEEN THE CITY OF BELLFLOWER'S

13 HISTORIAN FOR THE PAST 20, SHE HAS WRITTEN TWO BOOKS ON THE

14 CITY OF BELLFLOWER'S HISTORIC PAST, SHE RUNS THEIR WEEKLY

15 FARMERS MARKET AND MANAGES THE CARPENTER HOUSE MUSEUM. IN

16 ADDITION, MURIEL HAS A LENGTHY LIST OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

17 ACTIVITIES FROM SERVICE CLUBS TO CHURCH GROUPS TO CITY EVENTS.

18 MURIEL HAS DONE MUCH FOR THE CITY OF BELLFLOWER AND CONTINUES

19 TO DO MUCH FOR THE CITY. THAT THEY RECENTLY NAMED THIS NEW

20 SENIOR CENTER AFTER MURIEL. SHE IS SUCH A FANTASTIC LADY AND

21 OBVIOUSLY IT WOULD TAKE SEVERAL SCROLLS TO ADEQUATELY LIST ALL

22 THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENTS, SO IT'S MY PLEASURE ON BEHALF OF MYSELF

23 AND MY COLLEAGUES AND THE CITIZENS OF BELLFLOWER AND ALL THE

24 CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO PRESENT MURIEL THIS SCROLL



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1 IN RECOGNITIONS OF 50 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITY
2 OF BELLFLOWER. CONGRATULATIONS MURIEL. [APPLAUSE]

3

4 **MURIEL MACGREGOR:** THIS IS ONE OF THE HISTORY BOOKS, AND I'D
5 LIKE TO MAKE THE PRESENTATION, AND I JUST -- THIS IS JUST
6 AWESOME, I JUST -- WE HAVE BEEN TOGETHER THE LAST SEVEN YEARS
7 FOR MANY, MANY EVENTS LIKE THIS, AND I NEVER HAD ANY IDEA THAT
8 ANYTHING LIKE THIS COULD HAPPEN TO ME. THIS IS AWESOME. THANK
9 YOU VERY, VERY MUCH.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

12

13 **DOROTHY KING:** MURIEL IS REALLY A TERRIFIC GAL, AND WE'RE SO
14 VERY, VERY PROUD OF HER, AND NOT ONLY THAT BUT AS THE COUNCIL
15 ARE SO PROUD TO BE HERE WITH HER ON THIS VERY, VERY HAPPY
16 OCCASION. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MURIEL. CONGRATULATIONS.

19

20 **MURIEL MACGREGOR:** THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** ENJOY, ALL RIGHT. THANKS FOR COMING DOWN, TOO,
23 RANDY AND JOHN. APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** SHE -- MURIEL'S A TRUE TREASURE AND INCREDIBLE
2 LADY. NEXT I'D LIKE TO CALL UP RITA RUBIN, PRESIDENT OF THE
3 GREATER LONG BEACH/SOUTH BAY WHITTIER CHAPTER OF THE AUTISM
4 SOCIETY OF AMERICA. AUTISM IS A SEVERELY INCAPACITATING
5 LIFELONG DEVELOPMENT DISABILITY AND CURRENTLY IS THE THIRD
6 MOST COMMON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY AFFECTING MORE THAN 1.5
7 MILLION INDIVIDUALS NATIONWIDE AND OVER 18,000 RIGHT HERE IN
8 CALIFORNIA. SUPPORT GROUPS SUCH AS THE GREATER LONG BEACH
9 CHAPTER HAVE DEDICATED OVER 30 YEARS OF SERVICE IN THEIR
10 ONGOING EFFORTS TO ADVOCATE FOR THE RIGHTS OF ALL PERSONS WITH
11 AUTISM. THEY REMAIN COMMITTED TO THEIR CAUSE AND TO EDUCATING
12 FAMILIES, PROFESSIONALS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC TO BETTER
13 UNDERSTAND THIS LIFELONG DISABILITY. THIS DISABILITY REQUIRES
14 INCREASED RESEARCH TO ONE DAY FIND A CURE, PREVENTION, AND
15 GREATER UNDERSTANDING AND WE KNOW THAT A NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS
16 HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND OTHER AMERICANS WITH AUTISM AND
17 ARE ACTUALLY DIAGNOSED AND APPROPRIATELY TREATED. SO ON BEHALF
18 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY COLLEAGUES AND ALL THE
19 CITIZENS HERE IN THE COUNTY, WE'D LIKE TO PRESENT THIS SCROLL
20 IN RECOGNITION OF YOUR -- THE RESEARCH AND EVERYTHING ELSE
21 THAT YOU PUT INTO IT, THE VOLUNTEER TIME TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC
22 ON A VERY INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT DISEASE. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE
23]
24



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1 **RITA RUBIN:** I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR KNABE AND THE BOARD
2 OF SUPERVISORS FOR RECOGNIZING AUTISM. APRIL IS AUTISM
3 AWARENESS MONTH. IN THE LAST 12 YEARS, THE POPULATION OF
4 CALIFORNIA HAS INCREASED 20%, BUT THE INCIDENCE OF AUTISM HAS
5 INCREASED 300%. WE DON'T KNOW WHY THIS TREMENDOUS INCREASE,
6 BUT WE AS AN ORGANIZATION HAVE OUR WORK CUT OUT FOR US. WE GET
7 CALLS EVERY DAY FROM FAMILIES WHOSE CHILDREN HAVE JUST BEEN
8 DIAGNOSED. I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE SOME OF MY BOARD MEMBERS.
9 WE'RE AN ALL-VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATION AND WE ARE ALL PARENTS OF
10 CHILDREN WITH AUTISM. BOB RUBIN IS OUR MEMBERSHIP CHAIR; BUNNY
11 GUTHRIE, OUR HISTORIAN, AND I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE MARY
12 PREBBLE. MARY PREBBLE WAS THE FOUNDER OF OUR ORGANIZATION 32
13 YEARS AGO AND HAS BEEN THE PRESIDENT FOR 25 OF THOSE 32 YEARS.
14 SO THIS TRULY -- THIS IS A TRIBUTE TO MARY AS IT IS TO OUR
15 CHAPTER. THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

16

17 **MARY PREBBLE:** I WOULD LIKE TO SAY ALSO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I
18 WAS A GRANDPARENT BEFORE I EVER HEARD OF THE WORD "AUTISM,"
19 BUT AFTER 30 SOME YEARS, I KNOW WHAT IT IS AND I KNOW HOW TO
20 SPELL IT NOW. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. AND MY FINAL PRESENTATION, BEFORE I
23 TURN OVER TO SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, IS TWO SPECIAL LITTLE
24 ANGELS IN MY LIFE: MY GRANDCHILDREN. THIS IS KAITLYN UP HERE,



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1 AND I WANT TO INTRODUCE THE NEWEST ONE, CHRISTIE RYAN, ALL
2 RIGHT. [APPLAUSE]

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. EVERYBODY -- SEE LITTLE MICHAEL WHO
7 JUST TURNED FOUR, AND LITTLE MARY, THEY'VE BEEN RECRUITED BY
8 SHERIFF BACA SO THEY'RE NOW PART OF THE HOME SECURITY FORCE
9 WITH THE DEPUTY SHERIFF POSITION. AND THEN LAST NIGHT, WE WERE
10 JUST INFORMED THAT MY NIECE THAT MANY OF YOU KNOW AND WATCHED
11 HER GROW UP, LITTLE FRANCINE, IS GOING TO BE HAVING TWINS THIS
12 CHRISTMAS, SO WE'RE GOING TO HAVE ANOTHER CHRISTMAS BABY, AS
13 LITTLE MARY WAS A -- WAS A LITTLE CHRISTMAS BABY TWO YEARS
14 AGO. SO THAT'S THE HAPPENING IN OUR FAMILY. SO IT MIGHT BE THE
15 WATER OR SOMETHING, WE'RE NOT SURE. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE DOCTOR
16 SHINDY TEST THE WATER TO SEE IF THERE'S SOMETHING IN THE
17 WATER. OKAY, SAY HELLO, NO. NOW WE'RE GOING TO MAKE SOME OF
18 OUR PRESENTATIONS. AND THE FIRST, FOLLOWING UP ON SUPERVISOR
19 MOLINA'S PROGRAM -- I SHOULD SAY SUPERVISOR KNABE'S PROGRAM,
20 WE HAVE FIRE CHIEF JOHN PENITO FROM THE SAN MARINO FIRE
21 DEPARTMENT AND FIRE CHIEF VINCENT KEMP FROM THE ALHAMBRA FIRE
22 DEPARTMENT WHO ARE JOINING US TODAY WITH DESIGNATING THEIR
23 FIRE STATIONS AS SAFE SURRENDER SITES. WE WANT TO COMMEND SAN
24 MARINO FIRE DEPARTMENT AND ALHAMBRA FIRE DEPARTMENTS FOR
25 BECOMING -- PROVIDING THESE LOCATIONS FOR THE EAST SAN GABRIEL



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1 VALLEYS AND BY DOING THAT, THEY JOIN THE LARGE NUMBER OF FIRE
2 STATIONS WITHIN THE COUNTY THAT ARE NOW PARTICIPATING IN THIS
3 LIFE-SAVING PROGRAM. SO FIRST TO THE CITY OF SAN MARINO,
4 CONGRATULATIONS.

5

6 **CHIEF JOHN PENITO:** ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF SAN MARINO, I WANT
7 TO THANK THE BOARD AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR INFORMING US,
8 TAKING THE LEADERSHIP POSITION IN THIS, THE STATE LAW ONLY
9 ALLOWS FIRE STATIONS TO BE SAFE SURRENDER LOCATIONS IF THE
10 BOARD SO DESIGNATES THEM. OBVIOUSLY THIS PROGRAM WORKS BEST IF
11 ALL FIRE STATIONS ARE SAFE SURRENDER LOCATIONS. OUR PRIMARY
12 JOB IS TO SAVE LIVES AND THEN PROPERTY AND THERE ARE NO LIVES
13 MORE DESERVING OF RESCUE THAN THOSE OF THE NEWBORN. SO WE
14 THANK THE BOARD FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO
15 PARTICIPATE IN THIS VERY WORTHY PROGRAM. [APPLAUSE]

16

17 **CHIEF VINCENT KEMP:** ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF ALHAMBRA, I'D
18 LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU FOR THE RECOGNITION. AND AGAIN, I DON'T
19 THINK I CAN SAY MUCH MORE THAN CHIEF PENITO JUST SAID. I'D
20 LIKE TO PARROT WHAT HE SAID AND IT'S AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO
21 BE PART OF THE PROGRAM AND IT'S A PRIVILEGE FOR US. THANK YOU.
22 [APPLAUSE]

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MANY TIMES YOU HEAR ABOUT THE AWARDS THAT WE
25 GIVE TO ASK PEOPLE TO HELP US CAPTURE SUSPECTS, MURDER



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1 SUSPECTS AND ALL, AND TODAY WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY OF
2 RECOGNIZING TWO INDIVIDUALS WHO DID COME FORWARD WHEN WE HAD,
3 PRIOR TO THE AMBER ALERT, WE HAD A CHILD ALERT PROGRAM THAT I
4 INITIATED, AND THIS DEALT WITH A VERY SERIOUS ISSUE WHEN TWO
5 YOUNG GIRLS WERE KIDNAPPED IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. WITH US
6 THIS MORNING, WE HAVE FROM THE HIGHWAY PATROL, ART ACEVEDO
7 WHO'S REPRESENTING CHIEF MIKE BROWN WHO IS NOT HERE, BUT WE
8 WOULD LIKE TO COMMEND MILTON WALTERS AND BONNIE HERNANDEZ, WHO
9 WERE, THROUGH THEIR QUICKNESS GIVING US THAT INFORMATION, ARE
10 THE RECEIVERS OF THE \$10,000 AWARD OF WHICH WE ARE GIVING EACH
11 ONE \$5,000 FOR THEIR EFFORTS IN SAVING THE LIVES OF THESE TWO
12 TEENAGE GIRLS WHO WERE KIDNAPPED FROM A HILLTOP AREA IN
13 LANCASTER. MILTON WALTERS OF THE CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION
14 DEPARTMENT, AND BONNIE HERNANDEZ OF KERN COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL
15 WERE SELECTED BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY REWARD COMMITTEE FOR
16 THEIR USEFUL INFORMATION THAT LED TO THE SAFE RETURN OF THESE
17 TWO TEENAGE GIRLS. AROUND 11:00 A.M. ON AUGUST 1ST, MILTON HAD
18 WITNESSED A WHITE AND BROWN FORD BRONCO DRIVE PAST HIS COW
19 TRANS CREW ON THE HIGHWAY 178 AND QUICKLY NOTIFIED THE HIGHWAY
20 PATROL. AND ABOUT 11:45, BONNIE SPOTTED THE VEHICLE ON A DIRT
21 ROAD IN THE WHITE BLANKET NATIVE AMERICAN ALLOTMENT AREA AND
22 NOTIFIED THE KERN COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AND FROM THAT
23 WE WERE ABLE TO GO OUT, THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AND THE BRAVE
24 DEPUTY SHERIFFS FROM KERN COUNTY, TAKING THIS INFORMATION,
25 WERE ABLE TO FIND THIS INDIVIDUAL IN A VERY SHORT PERIOD OF



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1 TIME BECAUSE HAD THEY NOT, HE WAS IN THE PROCESS WHERE HE
2 WOULD HAVE MURDERED THESE YOUNG PEOPLE. SO ON BEHALF OF THE
3 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE MILTON AND
4 BONNIE FOR THEIR ABILITY TO MOVE FORWARD, AND WE HAVE THE
5 CHECKS AND THE MONEY'S IN THE BANK AND WE'RE GOING TO PRESENT
6 YOU WITH THE SCROLL, BUT I KNOW YOU'D RATHER HAVE THE SCROLL.
7 SO FIRST TO BONNIE. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

8

9 **MILTON WALTERS:** I'D LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD FOR THE SCROLL AND
10 THE CHECK, AND I'D ALSO LIKE TO THANK THE MEDIA FOR GETTING
11 OUT THE ACCURATE INFORMATION THAT DAY AND ALL THE LAW
12 ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES THAT WORKED TOGETHER TO CAPTURE AND SAVE
13 THE GIRLS' LIVES. THANK YOU.

14

15 **BONNIE HERNANDEZ:** I'D ALSO LIKE TO THANK EVERY AGENCY WORKING
16 AS A TEAM. I THINK THAT HELPED IN THE EFFORTS OF NO MORE
17 BORDERS, SO TO SPEAK, WHAT DEPARTMENT, IT DOESN'T MATTER, AND
18 THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THIS AND GOD BLESS EVERYONE INVOLVED.
19 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

20

21 **SPEAKER:** I WOULD LIKE TO PERSONALLY THANK THE BOARD TODAY FOR
22 THEIR EFFORTS AND PRESENTING THESE RECOGNITIONS. IT'S ONLY
23 THROUGH COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS THAT LAW ENFORCEMENT AND THE
24 PUBLIC AT LARGE ARE ABLE TO ALL DO OUR JOBS AND THE FUTURE OF
25 LAW ENFORCEMENT OF COURSE IS SHARING THE RESOURCES, CRIMINALS



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1 DO NOT RESPECT GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES AND SO WORKING
2 TOGETHER, WE'RE ABLE TO SERVE THE PUBLIC IN THE PROPER WAY.
3 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

4

5 **SPEAKER:** ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY OF LANCASTER, WE
6 WILL FOREVER BE GRATEFUL FOR THE COMMUNITY, ALL THE FEDERAL,
7 STATE, AND LOCAL AGENCIES THAT PARTICIPATED TO BRING THESE TWO
8 YOUNG GIRLS BACK TO THEIR FAMILIES. [APPLAUSE]

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WE WOULD -- NOW WE'D LIKE TO RECOGNIZE
11 THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL, AND AS I SAID, CHIEF MIKE BROWN
12 IS NOT HERE, SO ART ACEVEDO WHO IS THE ASSISTANT CHIEF FOR THE
13 CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL WILL ACCEPT THIS COMMENDATION ON THE
14 AMBER ALERT SYSTEM THAT WE NOW HAVE IN PLACE. CHIEF? [
15 APPLAUSE]

16

17 **CHIEF ART ACEVEDO:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, AND IT'S A PRIVILEGE
18 FOR ME TO ACCEPT THAT, NOT JUST ON BEHALF OF THE MEN AND WOMEN
19 OF THE HIGHWAY PATROL, BUT ON BEHALF OF THE ALL THE LAW
20 ENFORCEMENT, AND I ALSO WANT TO COMMEND THE PUBLIC AND THE
21 MEDIA BECAUSE OBVIOUSLY, WITHOUT YOUR INTEREST AND YOUR
22 EFFORTS, THIS WOULD NEVER HAVE HAPPENED, AND JUST AS A NOTE,
23 THE AMBER ALERT SYSTEM, FOR THOSE OF YOU THAT DON'T KNOW, ON
24 EVERY OCCASION SINCE ITS INCEPTION, IT'S RESULTED IN THE SAFE



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1 RETURN OF A CHILD TO A FAMILY. SO THE SYSTEM WORKS, AND THANK
2 YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT. [APPLAUSE]

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW, ON APRIL 24TH, 1915, THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE
5 BEGAN THE SYSTEMATIC EXTERMINATION OF THE ARMENIAN COMMUNITY.
6 RELIGIOUS, POLITICAL, INTELLECTUAL ARMENIAN LEADERS ALONG WITH
7 1.5 MILLION OTHER VICTIMS WERE ARRESTED AND MURDERED. DUE TO
8 THIS TRAGEDY, THE ARMENIAN COUNCIL OF AMERICA WAS COMMITTED TO
9 ENSURING THAT THOSE WHO DIED WOULD NOT DIE IN VAIN, AND THAT
10 THOSE HUMAN RIGHTS ATROCITIES WOULD NOT BE FORGOTTEN BY
11 DEDICATING APRIL 24TH AS A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE OF THE ARMENIAN
12 GENOCIDE. AND JOINING WITH US TODAY IS PETER DARAKJIAN, WHO
13 WAS ALSO WITH US LAST YEAR WHO IS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
14 THE ARMENIAN COUNCIL OF AMERICA, AND WE WOULD LIKE NOW ON
15 BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE TEN MILLION
16 CITIZENS OF OUR COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, TO GIVE THEM THIS
17 COMMENDATION TO THE ARMENIAN COUNCIL OF AMERICA FOR THEIR
18 EFFORTS AND THE EFFORTS TO KEEP THE CONSCIOUSNESS ALIVE AND
19 AWARE IN TEACHING OUR YOUNG PEOPLE ABOUT THE TRAGEDY OF THE
20 GENOCIDE OF 1915. [APPLAUSE]

21

22 **PETER DARAKJIAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, MADAM CHAIR, I HUMBLY
23 ACCEPT THIS SCROLL ON BEHALF OF THE ARMENIAN COUNCIL OF
24 AMERICA AND THE ARMENIAN POPULATION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
25 TODAY IS A DAY TO REMEMBER MAN'S INHUMANITY TO MAN. TODAY WE



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1 COMMEMORATE THE FIRST GENOCIDE OF THE 20TH CENTURY, BUT ALSO
2 WE CELEBRATE THE SURVIVAL OF THE ARMENIAN PEOPLE. 88 YEARS
3 AGO, ONE AND A HALF MILLION ARMENIANS PERISHED AT THE HANDS OF
4 THE TURKISH OTTOMAN EMPIRE. WE APPRECIATE THE LEADERSHIP OF
5 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO REMEMBER
6 THIS SPECIAL DAY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THOMAS TROYER,
9 WHO IS NOW RETIRING FROM THE LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
10 AFTER 14 YEARS OF SERVICE. TOM WORKED AT PETER PITCHER'S ARMY
11 RANCH AS A COMBINATION TRUCK DRIVER WHERE HE MAINTAINED A
12 PERFECT DRIVING RECORD FROM 1989 UNTIL HIS RECENT RETIREMENT
13 IN MARCH OF THIS YEAR. AND PRIOR TO JOINING THE SHERIFF'S
14 DEPARTMENT HE SERVED FOUR YEARS AS A COMBAT ENGINEER WITH THE
15 UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS, AND AFTER HIS DISCHARGE, HE WORKED
16 FOR THE MCKESSAN CHEMICAL CORP WHERE HE WAS NAMED DRIVER OF
17 THE YEAR FOUR TIMES. JOINING WITH HIM THIS MORNING ARE HIS
18 WIFE PATRICIA AND SONS JAMES AND ROBERT. SO ON BEHALF OF THE
19 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TOM, WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE YOU FOR
20 YOUR SERVICE AND WISH YOU CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE HAVE A LITTLE BOY WHO IS LOOKING FOR A
23 HOME, HE'S EIGHT WEEKS OLD AND HIS NAME IS MILO, AND HE'S A
24 DOMESTIC SHORT-HAIR MIX. SO HERE'S MILO. MILO'S LOOKING FOR A
25 HOME, [MEOWING]



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IF ANYBODY WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT MILO, YOU CAN
3 CALL THE TELEPHONE NUMBER AT THE BOTTOM OF YOUR SCREEN, FOR
4 THOSE OF YOU WATCHING AT HOME. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU. IF I CAN FIND MY HONOREE HERE, OH
9 THERE HE IS WAY OVER ON THE OTHER END. I'M GOING TO ASK CHIEF
10 BAYAN LEWIS TO COME UP AND JOIN ME. THIS IS A VERY SPECIAL
11 PRESENTATION FOR ME AND A VERY SPECIAL HONOR TO CONGRATULATE
12 BAYAN LEWIS. UNFORTUNATELY FOR US, HE IS RETIRING AFTER 40
13 YEARS IN LAW ENFORCEMENT. HE HAS SPENT THE LAST FIVE YEARS
14 HERE IN THE COUNTY AS OUR CHIEF OF THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC
15 SAFETY. HE HAS PREVIOUSLY SERVED 34 YEARS WITH THE LOS ANGELES
16 POLICE DEPARTMENT. IN FACT, THAT'S WHEN I HAD AN OPPORTUNITY
17 TO MEET HIM AND WORK WITH HIM WHEN I WAS IN THE CITY OF LOS
18 ANGELES, AND IT WAS AN -- HE IS AN AMAZING MAN, HE'S AN
19 UNBELIEVABLE COURTEOUS GENTLEMAN, IF YOU EVER WORK WITH HIM,
20 VERY PROFESSIONAL AND HE'S ALWAYS BEEN A PLEASURE TO WORK
21 WITH. HIS CAREER STARTED AT L.A.P.D. IN 1963. BY 1976, HE HAD
22 BEEN PROMOTED TO THE RANK OF CAPTAIN, AND BY 1990, HE WAS
23 SERVING AS COMMANDER OF L.A.P.D. BAYAN'S REPUTATION AT
24 L.A.P.D. WAS SO IMPRESSIVE THAT, IN 1997, THE CITY OF LOS
25 ANGELES BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS APPOINTED HIM AS INTERIM



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1 CHIEF OF POLICE WHILE THEY SEARCHED FOR A PERMANENT
2 REPLACEMENT. BAYAN'S SERVICE IS NOT LIMITED TO THE COUNTY OR
3 THE CITY. FOR 23 YEARS, HE SERVED WITH THE 40 INFANTRY
4 DIVISION OF THE CALIFORNIA NATIONAL GUARD AND RETIRED FROM
5 THERE AS A LIEUTENANT COLONEL. BAYAN ALSO POSSESSES
6 DISTINGUISHED ACADEMIC RECORD. HE HAS EARNED HIS BACHELOR
7 DEGREE IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION FROM PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY AND
8 HIS POSTGRADUATE DEGREE IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION FROM U.S.C.
9 IN ADDITION, HE'S A GRADUATE OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY COMMAND
10 AND GENERAL STAFF COLLEGE IN PORT LEVINWORTH, KANSAS. WE ARE
11 SO PROUD TO HAVE HAD HIM FOR THESE LAST FIVE YEARS. HE'S
12 PROVIDED UNBELIEVABLE LEADERSHIP. I THINK EACH OF US HAVE
13 ALWAYS APPRECIATED WORKING DIRECTLY WITH BAYAN. WE'RE SORRY TO
14 SEE HIM GO OFF, BUT I THINK IT'LL PROBABLY BE THE BEGINNING OF
15 A NEW CAREER, I'M SURE. I'M NOT SURE WHAT HE'S GOING TO BE
16 GOING INTO, THIS IS A GENTLEMAN WHO DOESN'T REST AT ALL, BUT
17 WE ARE SO VERY PROUD FOR THE SERVICE THAT HE HAS GIVEN TO ALL
18 OF THE RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY WHILE SERVING WITH US
19 IN THE COUNTY AND ALSO IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. SO BAYAN,
20 ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WE'D LIKE TO PRESENT
21 YOU WITH A RETIREMENT SCROLL IN RECOGNITION FOR ALL OF YOUR
22 WORK WITH US IN THE COUNTY AND CERTAINLY YOUR LONG CAREER IN
23 PUBLIC SAFETY. WE CONGRATULATE YOU AND WE THANK YOU SO MUCH. [
24 APPLAUSE]

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1 **MICHAEL J. HENRY, DIR., HUMAN RESOURCES:** I'D LIKE TO TAKE AN
2 OPPORTUNITY TO SAY A FEW WORDS ABOUT BAYAN. FIRST OF ALL, THE
3 MEASUREMENT OF A GREAT LEADER IS ONE THAT LEAVES AN
4 ORGANIZATION BETTER OFF THAN IT WAS WHEN HE STARTED, AND IN
5 1997 WHEN BAYAN LEWIS JOINED THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY, HE
6 HAS TAKEN THAT ORGANIZATION TO NEW HEIGHTS, AND I BELIEVE
7 TODAY, AS ALL THE EMPLOYEES OF THAT OFFICE DOES, THAT BAYAN
8 HAS MADE IT A BETTER PLACE TO WORK, AND I WANT TO THANK YOU ON
9 BEHALF OF THE HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT AND YOUR EMPLOYEES IN
10 THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY FOR A JOB WELL DONE. I'D ALSO LIKE
11 TO INTRODUCE YOU TO BAYAN'S RIGHT HAND, SERGEANT DENISE LEWIS
12 WITH L.A.P.D. SHE'S ALSO RETIRING, THIS IS BAYAN'S WIFE. [
13 APPLAUSE] SERGEANT DENISE LEWIS: THANK YOU FOR SHARING HIM
14 WITH ME AND I'M GLAD YOU'RE GIVING HIM BACK.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAM CHAIR I'D JUST LIKE TO ADD MY ACCOLADES AS
17 WELL. BAYAN HAS BROUGHT CREDIBILITY AND PROFESSIONALISM TO THE
18 DEPARTMENT. WE JUST CAN'T THANK YOU ENOUGH FOR THE JOB THAT
19 YOU'VE DONE WITH OUR COUNTY POLICE, AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH,
20 GOD SPEED, AND BEST WISHES IN THAT SHORT RETIREMENT, I'M SURE
21 WITH BAYAN, OKAY.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, I'VE KNOWN BAYAN FOR MANY
24 YEARS, AT L.A. CITY AND WHEN HE WAS WITH THE L.A.P.D. AND
25 HERE, AND I WAS SO DELIGHTED WHEN HE, AFTER AN INTERIM STINT



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1 AS CHIEF OF POLICE, AS GLORIA INDICATED, HE WASN'T JUST AN
2 INTERIM, HE ACTUALLY -- WHEN THE STORY IS WRITTEN, I HOPE THAT
3 THEY MENTION THE ROLE YOU PLAYED IN THAT TRANSITION PERIOD,
4 BECAUSE YOU WERE NOT JUST OCCUPYING A SEAT AND COOLING YOUR
5 HEELS, YOU ACTUALLY MADE A DIFFERENCE IN THE SEVERAL MONTHS
6 THAT YOU WERE THERE, AND IT WAS REALLY A PLEASURE TO WATCH HOW
7 AN INTERIM CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE EVEN AS AN INTERIM, AND I
8 THINK THAT MAY HAVE BEEN, OF ALL THE THINGS YOU'VE DONE, MAY
9 HAVE BEEN ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS YOU DID IN YOUR
10 CAREER, BUT WHEN YOU DECIDED YOU WANTED TO COME HERE AND YOUR
11 NAME POPPED UP FOR OUR COUNTY POLICE, I SAID TO MYSELF,
12 "CANCEL THE SEARCH, GRAB HIM BEFORE HE CHANGES HIS MIND,"
13 BECAUSE HE IS REALLY ONE OF THE TOP LAW ENFORCEMENT
14 PROFESSIONALS THAT I'VE EVER HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF WORKING FOR,
15 AND WE'RE GOING TO MISS YOU, BUT YOU DESERVE WHATEVER YOU WANT
16 TO DO, YOU DESERVE, YOU'VE EARNED IT, AND BAYAN, THANKS FOR
17 YOUR SERVICE TO THE CITY AND TO THE COUNTY.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I WOULD JUST LIKE TO JOIN MY COLLEAGUES IN
20 SAYING WE CERTAINLY APPRECIATE THE LEVEL OF SERVICE YOU'VE
21 RENDERED TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. I DO REMEMBER YOU FROM
22 THE CITY. I WAS NOT IN THE COUNCIL, BUT I SAW YOU FROM AFAR
23 AND KNOW THE KIND OF WORK YOU DID THERE, BUT PARTICULARLY
24 HERE, COMING IN, REORGANIZING, DOING ALL THE THINGS THAT YOU
25 DID TO GIVE A GREAT DEAL OF CREDIBILITY, AND I KNOW THAT'S WHY



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1 YOU'RE GREATLY ADMIRER BY THOSE WHO SERVE WITH YOU. SO
2 CONGRATULATIONS, HAVE A WONDERFUL RETIREMENT, AND WE WILL MISS
3 YOU, BUT WE CERTAINLY WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT WE APPRECIATE THE
4 WORK THAT YOU'VE DONE.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ALSO ADD TO THOSE COMMENTS. WE
7 APPRECIATED YOUR PROFESSIONALISM, AND I KNOW WHEN YOU WERE
8 WITH THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT AND AS CHIEF AND WITH
9 THE PROGRAMS THAT I HAD WORKING WITH THE CHIEFS OF POLICE AND
10 OUR SHERIFF CAPTAINS IN THE SUBSTATIONS, YOU WERE ALWAYS THERE
11 GIVING CONSTRUCTIVE EFFORTS, AND SOME OF YOUR EFFORTS ALSO
12 HELPED WITH OUR HIGH CAP PROGRAM WHICH WE WERE ABLE TO ADOPT
13 FINALLY AFTER MANY YEARS OF GOING TO WASHINGTON AND GETTING
14 THE COOPERATION FROM ALL OF OUR LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES
15 AND YOU WERE THERE PROVIDING THAT LEADERSHIP AND THEN COMING
16 TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND I KNOW THE MEN AND WOMEN IN
17 THE OFFICE OF SAFETY POLICE APPRECIATED THE DEDICATION AND
18 INTEGRITY THAT YOU BROUGHT. SO WE WILL MISS YOUR LEADERSHIP,
19 BUT YOUR LEGACY LIVES ON IN THE FINE MEN AND WOMEN THAT YOU
20 HAVE NOW HAVE IN THE DEPARTMENT CARRYING OUT THEIR
21 RESPONSIBILITIES. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

22

23 **BAYAN LEWIS:** YOU KNOW, I'D REALLY LIKE TO THANK THIS BOARD FOR
24 THIS HONOR. I NEED TO SHARE THE HONOR, OF COURSE, WITH MEN AND
25 WOMEN OF THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY, BUT I'M HONORED BECAUSE



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1 THIS BOARD REALLY MEANS SO MUCH TO ME. THEY TALK ABOUT MY 34-
2 YEAR CAREER WITH L.A.P.D. THE LAST FIVE-AND-A-HALF YEARS HERE
3 AT THE COUNTY HAS BEEN MY BEST FIVE AND A HALF, I HAVE TO TELL
4 YOU HONESTLY. [APPLAUSE].

5

6 **BAYAN LEWIS:** I HAVE TO TELL THE BOARD I THANK THEM FOR THEIR
7 COOPERATION, THEIR SUPPORT, THEIR HELP IN THE LAST FIVE YEARS,
8 IN MAKING O.P.S. WHAT IT HAS BECOME TODAY, AND ESPECIALLY YOUR
9 STAFFS, YOUR JUSTICE DEPUTIES, YOUR HEALTH DEPUTIES, THOSE
10 PEOPLE WHO WORK FOR YOU WHO REALLY GO UNRECOGNIZED AND HELP SO
11 MUCH BEHIND THE LINES. THEY HAVE JUST -- THEY'VE BEEN
12 MARVELOUS OVER THE LAST FIVE YEARS AND WORKING WITH YOUR
13 STAFFS. THE REAL CREDIT HAS TO GO TO THE MEN AND WOMEN OF
14 O.P.S., THE CIVILIANS, THE SWORN OFFICERS WHO, WHEN THE
15 ORGANIZATION WAS CONSOLIDATED IN JANUARY OF 1998, I HAD A
16 VISION FOR IT AND THAT VISION WAS FOR IT TO BE BETTER THAN IT
17 WAS, BETTER THAN IT HAD BEEN, AND THAT VISION WAS TO STAND UP,
18 TO MAKE IT WORK, TO BE RECOGNIZED, AND TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY
19 THAT WAS BEING GIVEN THEM TO MAKE O.P.S. SOMETHING MORE THAN
20 IT HAD EVER BEEN BEFORE, AND SO THE CREDIT DOESN'T BELONG TO
21 ME. I JUST KIND OF SHOWED THE DIRECTION DOWN THE ROAD. THE
22 CREDIT GOES TO THOSE MEN AND WOMEN WHO WERE CHANGE AGENTS, WHO
23 ACCEPTED THE MANTLE OF RESPONSIBILITY OF BEING A CHANGE AGENT,
24 WHO WOULD NOT ACCEPT THE STATUS QUO, AND WHO TRULY TOOK ON THE
25 RESPONSIBILITY OF MAKING O.P.S. THE PREMIER SPECIALIZED LAW



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1 ENFORCEMENT AGENCY THAT IT IS TODAY. SO TO EACH AND EVERY ONE
2 OF YOU THAT ARE OUT HERE AND THOSE THAT ARE OUT IN THE STREETS
3 TODAY, THANK YOU. ANY CREDIT THAT I GLEAN FROM THIS BELONGS TO
4 YOU AND I APPRECIATE THE EFFORT THAT YOU'VE PUT FORWARD.
5 YOU'VE MADE MY LIFE WONDERFUL. COUNTY POLICE, YOU ARE SPECIAL.
6 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALSO, WHEN WE HAVE MY ANNUAL TRAIL RIDES, THE
9 CHIEF IS OUT THERE RIDING WITH US ON THOSE TRAIL RIDES, AND WE
10 APPRECIATE THAT LEADERSHIP AS WELL.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** MADAM CHAIR, ONE LAST ANNOUNCEMENT. TOMORROW, I'D
13 LIKE TO ENCOURAGE ALL OF OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES AS WELL AS THE
14 PUBLIC TO JOIN US FOR A VERY SPECIAL NATIONAL UNVEILING OF THE
15 CESAR CHAVEZ POSTAGE STAMP. L.A. COUNTY IS VERY PROUD TO HOST
16 THIS VERY HISTORIC EVENT. WE HAVE POSTERS THROUGHOUT OUR
17 COUNTY BUILDINGS. OUR PROGRAM BEGINS AT NOON TOMORROW IN THE
18 COUNTY PLAZA. WE WANT YOU TO COME OUT AND CELEBRATE WITH US.
19 THIS IS A NATIONAL HERO. HE CERTAINLY HAS BEEN A HERO TO THE
20 LATINO COMMUNITY AND TO THE LABOR COMMUNITY, BUT WE THINK HE'S
21 AN AMERICAN HERO AND HOPEFULLY ALL OF YOU WILL JOIN WITH US
22 FOR THIS VERY, VERY SPECIAL UNVEILING, TOMORROW AT NOON IN THE
23 COUNTY PLAZA. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. IF THAT CONCLUDES THE -- DO YOU
2 HAVE ANY OTHER PRESENTATIONS?

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO. THAT'S IT.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THAT CONCLUDES THE PRESENTATIONS. WE WILL
7 NOW START, WHERE IS THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE, DO YOU WANT TO COME
8 FORWARD, WE'LL START THE HEARINGS FIRST. WE'LL START WITH THE
9 HEARINGS.

10

11 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** YES. I NEED ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO
12 TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD TO PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT
13 HAND TO BE SWORN IN. [ADMINISTERING OATH]

14

15 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** THANK YOU. PLEASE BE SEATED. MADAM
16 CHAIR?

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18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YES.

19

20 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** WE'LL BEGIN WITH ITEM 1, HEARING ON
21 EXTENSION OF INTERIM ORDINANCE WHICH TEMPORARILY PROHIBITS THE
22 PLACEMENT OR ENLARGEMENT OF OUTDOOR ADVERTISING SIGNS IN THE
23 UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE COUNTY. THIS A 4-VOTE MATTER.

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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I THINK EVERYONE IS HERE. KNABE IS OVER
2 THERE AND -- YEAH. ALL RIGHT. HAS ANYONE ASKED TO SPEAK ON
3 THAT? IS THAT ROSE HAMILTON AND ALEX GARCIA THAT HAVE
4 REQUESTED TO SPEAK ON THAT ITEM?

5

6 **ROSE HAMILTON:** WE'RE STAFF YES.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY, ALL RIGHT. OH, YOU'RE THE STAFF
9 GROUPIES.

10

11 **ROSE HAMILTON:** YES.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

14

15 **ROSE HAMILTON:** I'LL GIVE A BRIEF PRESENTATION, SUPERVISOR.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YES.

18

19 **ROSE HAMILTON:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS ROSE HAMILTON. MR.
20 GARCIA AND I ARE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. ON
21 MAY 14TH, 2002, THE BOARD ADOPTED INTERIM ORDINANCE NUMBER
22 2002-0031U RELATING TO BILLBOARDS. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, THE
23 URGENCY ORDINANCE WAS EXTENDED FOR A PERIOD OF 10 AND ONE HALF
24 MONTHS. THIS EXTENSION ALLOWED THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL
25 PLANNING TO PREPARE A COMPREHENSIVE ZONING STUDY THAT



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1 CONSIDERED ALTERNATIVE APPROACHES TO REGULATING THE IMPACT OF
2 OUTDOOR ADVERTISING SIGNS. THE ZONING STUDY WAS PREPARED AND
3 SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD ON JANUARY 13TH, 2003. IT IS CURRENTLY
4 BEING REVIEWED BY THE BOARD OFFICES. THE URGENCY MEASURE WILL
5 EXPIRE, THOUGH, ON MAY 14TH, 2003, UNLESS EXTENDED BY THE
6 BOARD ACTION TODAY. THIS WILL BE THE LAST TIME THE BOARD CAN
7 GRANT A TIME EXTENSION ON THIS MATTER. GRANTING A ONE-YEAR
8 TIME EXTENSION WILL ALLOW THE BOARD SUFFICIENT TIME TO DIRECT
9 THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING TO PREPARE ANY PERMANENT
10 CHANGES TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE THAT THE BOARD DEEMS
11 APPROPRIATE. THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION.

12
13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE HAVE ONE PERSON WHO'S ASKED TO SPEAK,
14 AND THAT'S ED DATO. COME FORWARD.

15
16 **ED DATO, CLEAR CHANNEL:** YES, MY NAME'S ED DATO. AND THANK YOU
17 FOR PERMITTING ME TO SPEAK, SUPERVISOR BURKE AND MEMBERS OF
18 THE BOARD. I WILL EVEN BE BRIEFER THAN THE STAFF. I AM NOT
19 OPPOSED TO THE -- IN ANY WAY TO THE CONTINUANCE OF THIS
20 MORATORIUM; HOWEVER, I WOULD LIKE -- I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE
21 REPORT THAT WAS GIVEN TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, IF THAT'S
22 PROPER, AND I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO ASK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
23 TO INSTRUCT THE STAFFS TO DISCUSS WITH US THE POSSIBILITIES OF
24 AN ORDINANCE THAT WOULD BE BENEFICIAL TO THE CITY AS WELL --
25 EXCUSE ME, TO THE COUNTY AS WELL AS THE OUTDOOR ADVERTISING



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1 COMPANIES THAT OPERATE IN THE COUNTY. THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY
2 AND I'LL ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU MAY HAVE.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IS THE REPORT AVAILABLE?

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** WE CAN GIVE HIM A REPORT RIGHT HERE.

7

8 **ROSE HAMILTON:** YES, YES WE HAVE IT AVAILABLE.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT I THINK THIS BOARD ON THIS CONTINUANCE AND
11 THEN WE CAN JUST DIRECT THE STAFF TO AT LEAST CONSULT AND
12 VISIT WITH THE INDUSTRY.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** RIGHT.

15

16 **ED DATO, CLEAR CHANNEL:** WE HAVE MET WITH THE PLANNING STAFF.
17 WE HAVE NOT MET EXCEPT FOR SUPERVISOR BURKE'S DEPUTY IS THE
18 ONLY PERSON I'VE SPOKEN TO ON THE STAFF OF ANY OF THE
19 SUPERVISORS, BUT WHICH I WOULD LIKE TO TALK TO.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I THINK THAT MOST OF THE SITES THAT WERE
22 PENDING WERE IN MY DISTRICT, THE APPLICATIONS.

23

24 **ED DATO, CLEAR CHANNEL:** I DON'T THINK WE'RE SPEAKING OF ANY OF
25 THOSE THAT ARE PENDING, I THINK THESE --



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** JUST THE POLICY.

3

4 **ED DATO, CLEAR CHANNEL:** WHAT I HAD PROPOSED WOULD BE SOMETHING
5 DIFFERENT THAN WHAT IS CURRENTLY THE -- TAKING PLACE.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE WOULD ENCOURAGE --

8

9 **ED DATO, CLEAR CHANNEL:** AND I THINK YOU'RE RIGHT, I THINK IT'S
10 YOUR DISTRICT AND SUPERVISOR KNABE'S DISTRICT.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I THINK MOST OF THEM WERE -- ALL RIGHT. IS
13 THERE A MOTION?

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'VE TAKEN ED'S POINTS OF VIEW, TO BE ABLE TO
16 HAVE THAT TYPE OF COMMUNICATION.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WELL THE MOTION IS TO EXTEND THE TEMPORARY
19 ORDINANCE.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT, BUT IN THE MEANTIME WE'RE GOING TO
22 HAVE THIS --

23

24 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AND THEN ALSO CONTINUE TO HAVE DIALOGUE
25 WITH THE --



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2 **ED DATO, CLEAR CHANNEL:** YES, WE WOULD LIKE DIALOGUE.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, IT'S MOVED BY ANTONOVICH,
5 SECONDED BY KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

6

7 **ED DATO, CLEAR CHANNEL:** THANK YOU.

8

9 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** ITEM 2 IS A HEARING ON THE COLLECTION OF
10 FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004 GARBAGE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL SERVICE
11 FEES.

12

13 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE IS A BRIEF STAFF
14 STATEMENT ON THIS ITEM.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** STATE YOUR NAME PLEASE.

17

18 **SHARI AFSHARI:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SHARI AFSHARI, AND I'M
19 AN ASSISTANT DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
20 WORKS. I'M FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE CONTINUED
21 COLLECTION ON THE TAX ROLL OF THE GARBAGE COLLECTION AND
22 DISPOSAL SERVICE FEES AT THE EXISTING RATE IN THE ATHENS,
23 WOODCREST, OLIVITA, BELVEDERE, FIRESTONE, MALIBU, MESA HEIGHTS
24 AND WALNUT PARK GARBAGE DISPOSAL DISTRICTS FOR FISCAL YEAR
25 2003-04. THE REPORT ON THESE GARBAGE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL



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1 SERVICE FEES WAS PREPARED IN MY OFFICE AND UNDER MY DIRECTION.
2 IN MY OPINION, IT'S NECESSARY TO RETAIN THE FEES AT THEIR
3 CURRENT LEVELS AND IT'S IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST TO CONTINUE TO
4 COLLECT THE FEES ON THE TAX ROLL BECAUSE IT PROVIDES FOR THE
5 MOST ORDERLY COLLECTION OF SUCH FEES FROM AFFECTED PROPERTY
6 OWNERS. IN MY OPINION, THE FEES HAVE BEEN FAIRLY IMPOSED. WE
7 HAVE COLLECTED NO RECENT PROTESTS FOR THE CONTINUED COLLECTION
8 OF THE GARBAGE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL SERVICE FEES ON THE TAX
9 ROLL. WE RECOMMEND THAT YOUR BOARD ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS
10 CONTAINED IN THE BOARD LETTER ON THIS ITEM.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IS THERE A MOTION? MOVED BY
13 ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY KNABE. THIS IS A 4-VOTE ITEM. WITHOUT
14 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THAT THE HEARING BE CLOSED AND THAT THE
15 ITEM BE APPROVED. THAT WAS THE MOTION. DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING -
16 -

17

18 **SHARI AFSHARI:** I HAVE NUMBER 3 ALSO.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, WE HAVE 3, OKAY.

21

22 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** ITEM 3 IS A HEARING ON PROPOSED
23 COLLECTION OF FISCAL YEAR 2003-04 SOLID WASTE GENERATION
24 SERVICE CHARGE. WE HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTESTS.

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1 **SHARI AFSHARI:** GOOD MORNING AGAIN.

2

3 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. HAS ANYONE REQUESTED TO SPEAK ON
4 THIS ITEM?

5

6 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** THERE'S A BRIEF STAFF STATEMENT ON
7 THIS ONE AS WELL, MADAM CHAIR.

8

9 **SHARI AFSHARI:** GOOD MORNING AGAIN. MY NAME IS SHARI AFSHARI,
10 AND I'M AN ASSISTANT DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
11 PUBLIC WORKS. I'M FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
12 CONTINUED COLLECTION OF THE SOLID WASTE GENERATION SERVICE
13 CHARGES AT THEIR EXISTING RATES ON THE TAX ROLL FOR FISCAL
14 YEAR 2003/2004. THE ANNUAL REPORT ON THE SOLID WASTE
15 GENERATION SERVICE CHARGES WAS PREPARED IN MY OFFICE AND UNDER
16 MY DIRECTION. IN MY OPINION, IT'S NECESSARY TO RETAIN THE
17 EXISTING SERVICE CHARGES AT THEIR CURRENT LEVELS AND IT'S IN
18 THE PUBLIC INTEREST TO CONTINUE TO COLLECT THE SERVICE CHARGES
19 ON THE TAX ROLL, BECAUSE IT PROVIDES FOR THE MOST ORDERLY
20 COLLECTION OF SUCH CHARGES FROM AFFECTED PROPERTY OWNERS. IN
21 MY OPINION, THE FEES HAVE BEEN FAIRLY IMPOSED. WE HAVE
22 COLLECTED NO RECENT PROTESTS FOR THE CONTINUED COLLECTION OF
23 THE SOLID WASTE GENERATION SERVICE CHARGE ON THE TAX ROLL. WE
24 RECOMMEND THAT YOUR BOARD ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED
25 IN THE BOARD LETTER ON THIS ITEM.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** HAVE WE RECEIVED ANY WRITTEN PROTESTS?

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4 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** WE HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTESTS.

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6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THIS MOTION BY THIS AREA IS THE
7 ENTIRE AREA. SO MOVED BY MOLINA, SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY, THAT
8 THE HEARING BE CLOSED AND THAT THE ITEM BE APPROVED. WITHOUT
9 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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11 **SHARI AFSHARI:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** ITEM 5 IS A HEARING TO REVISE VARIOUS
14 PARK AND RECREATION FEES AND CHARGES AND ESTABLISH A NEW DOG
15 ENTRY FEE AT ALL REGIONAL PARKS AND A TENT CAMPING FEE AT
16 EXISTING CAMP GROUNDS AT REGIONAL PARKS, EFFECTIVE APRIL 1ST,
17 2003.

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19 **TIM GALLAGHER:** GOOD MORNING. THIS IS AN UPDATE OF OUR FEE
20 SCHEDULE. MANY OF THE FEES BEFORE YOU HAVE NOT BEEN UPDATED
21 FOR AT LEAST 10 YEARS, AND WE'VE TRIED TO ADDRESS THE ENTIRE
22 PACKAGE AT ONE TIME. OVER THE PAST FEW WEEKS, WE HAVE POSTED
23 ALL FEES AT ALL OUR COMMUNITY CENTERS AND WE'VE BEEN WORKING
24 WITH LOCAL COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS TO ENSURE THAT THESE FEES
25 MEET THEIR NEEDS. ONE FEE I WOULD LIKE TO WITHDRAW FOR FURTHER



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1 STUDY, THAT WOULD BE THE DOG ENTRANCE FEE, BUT THE REST OF
2 THEM, IF THERE'S ANY QUESTIONS, I'D BE GLAD TO ANSWER.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO POOPER FEE HUH?

7

8 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** WILL YOU PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE
9 RECORD?

10

11 **TIM GALLAGHER:** TIM GALLAGHER, DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND
12 RECREATION.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** HAS ANYONE ASKED TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM?

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** SO YOU'RE WITHDRAWING THAT?

17

18 **TIM GALLAGHER:** AT THIS TIME WE'D LIKE TO TAKE IT BACK FOR
19 FURTHER STUDY, DISPOSE OF IT.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, THE ONE-DOLLAR DOG FEE THEN WILL
22 NOT BE BEFORE US. DO WE HAVE A MOTION?

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL MOVE IT.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'LL SECOND THAT CHANGE THEN I GUESS, SECOND.

2

3 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WITH THAT CHANGE, AS AMENDED, IT'S MOVED BY
4 KNABE, SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

5

6 **TIM GALLAGHER:** THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THAT THE HEARING BE CLOSED, THAT'S NUMBER
9 5, THAT THE HEARING BE CLOSED AND THAT THE FEE BE ADOPTED, AS
10 AMENDED, WITHOUT THE ONE DOLLAR ENTRY FEE. MR. YAROSLAVSKY DID
11 YOU HAVE A QUESTION ON IT? ALL RIGHT.

12

13 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** ITEM 6, HEARING ON PROPOSED WATER RATE
14 INCREASE FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NUMBER
15 40, ANTELOPE VALLEY. WE HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTESTS.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, IS THERE A STAFF REPORT ON THAT?

18

19 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** THERE IS NOT ONE REQUIRED.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. HAS ANYONE REQUESTED TO SPEAK ON
22 THIS ITEM OR ANY PROTESTS?

23

24 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** NO, NO WRITTEN PROTESTS.

25



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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** HEARING NONE, IT'S BEEN MOVED BY
2 ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY MOLINA THAT THE HEARING BE CLOSED AND
3 THE ITEM BE ADOPTED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

4

5 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** ITEM 7, HEARING ON PROPOSED
6 ESTABLISHMENT OF THE 3RD STREET UNDERGROUND UTILITY DISTRICT
7 NUMBER 3 TO PROVIDE FOR THE UNDER-GROUNDING OF EXISTING
8 OVERHEAD ELECTRICAL AND COMMUNICATION FACILITIES. WE HAVE NO
9 WRITTEN PROTESTS.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IS THERE ANYONE WHO WISHES TO SPEAK ON THIS
12 ITEM? STATE YOUR NAME, PLEASE.

13

14 **ANGELA GEORGE:** HELLO. MY NAME IS ANGELA GEORGE, AND I'M A
15 CIVIL ENGINEER WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M
16 FAMILIAR WITH THE AREA PROPOSED TO BE DESIGNATED AS THE 3RD
17 STREET UNDERGROUND UTILITY DISTRICT NUMBER 3. WE'VE CONSULTED
18 --

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** EXCUSE ME. YOUR MIC ISN'T WORKING.

21

22 **ANGELA GEORGE:** OH SORRY, HOW DO YOU TURN IT ON, CAN YOU HEAR
23 ME NOW?

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S ON, I THINK, TRY NOW.



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2 **ANGELA GEORGE:** IS IT ON?

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YEAH.

5

6 **ANGELA GEORGE:** OKAY, I'LL START AGAIN, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME
7 IS ANGELA GEORGE AND I'M A CIVIL ENGINEER WITH THE DEPARTMENT
8 OF PUBLIC WORKS. AND I AM FAMILIAR WITH THE AREA PROPOSED TO
9 BE DESIGNATED AS THE 3RD STREET UNDERGROUND UTILITY DISTRICT
10 NUMBER THREE. WE HAVE CONSULTED WITH THE UTILITY COMPANIES
11 WHICH WOULD BE AFFECTED BY THE FORMATION OF THE PROPOSED
12 DISTRICT. THIS AREA WAS SELECTED FOR UNDER-GROUNDING OF
13 UTILITIES BECAUSE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, IN
14 CONSULTATION WITH THE AFFECTED UTILITY COMPANIES, HAS
15 DETERMINED THAT UNDER-GROUNDING OF THE EXISTING AND FUTURE
16 OVERHEAD ELECTRIC AND COMMUNICATION FACILITIES WILL ELIMINATE
17 THEIR PRESENT CONCENTRATION AND AVOID THE FUTURE CONCENTRATION
18 OF OVERHEAD FACILITIES AND THAT THE IMPACTED PORTION OF 3RD
19 STREET IS EXTENSIVELY USED BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND CARRIES
20 HEAVY VOLUMES OF PEDESTRIAN AND VEHICULAR TRAFFIC. WE HAVE
21 RECEIVED NO PROTESTS.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, NO ONE HAS REQUESTED TO SPEAK ON
24 THIS, THERE ARE NO PROTESTS?

25



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1 **ANGELA GEORGE:** NO.

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3 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IT'S MOVED BY MOLINA, SECONDED BY
4 ANTONOVICH THAT THE HEARING BE CLOSED AND THE ITEM BE
5 APPROVED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

6

7 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** ITEM 8, HEARING ON PROPOSED
8 ESTABLISHMENT OF THE POMONA BOULEVARD UNDERGROUND UTILITY
9 DISTRICT TO PROVIDE FOR THE UNDER-GROUNDING OF EXISTING
10 OVERHEAD ELECTRICAL AND COMMUNICATION FACILITIES. WE HAVE NO
11 WRITTEN PROTESTS.

12

13 **ANGELA GEORGE:** ONCE AGAIN, MY NAME IS ANGELA GEORGE, AND I'M A
14 CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M
15 FAMILIAR WITH THE AREA PROPOSED TO BE DESIGNATED AS THE POMONA
16 BOULEVARD UNDERGROUND UTILITY DISTRICT. WE HAVE ALSO CONSULTED
17 WITH THE UTILITY COMPANIES WHICH WOULD BE AFFECTED BY THE
18 FORMATION OF THE PROPOSED DISTRICT. THIS AREA WAS SELECTED FOR
19 UNDER-GROUNDING OF UTILITIES BECAUSE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
20 WORKS, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE AFFECTED UTILITY COMPANIES,
21 HAS DETERMINED THAT UNDER-GROUNDING OF THE EXISTING AND FUTURE
22 OVERHEAD ELECTRIC AND COMMUNICATION FACILITIES WILL ELIMINATE
23 THEIR PRESENT CONCENTRATION AND AVOID THE FUTURE CONCENTRATION
24 OF THE OVERHEAD FACILITIES AND THAT THE IMPACTED PORTION OF
25 POMONA BOULEVARD IS EXTENSIVELY USED BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND



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1 CARRIES A HEAVY VOLUME OF PEDESTRIAN AND VEHICULAR TRAFFIC. WE
2 HAVE RECEIVED NO PROTESTS.

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IS THERE ANYONE WHO'S REQUESTING TO SPEAK
5 ON THIS ITEM? HEARING NONE, SUPERVISOR MOLINA MOVES AND
6 SUPERVISOR KNABE SECONDS THAT THE HEARING BE CLOSED AND THAT
7 THE ITEM BE APPROVED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

8

9 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** ITEM 9, HEARING ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO
10 TITLE 2, ADMINISTRATION, TO REVISE AND DELETE VARIOUS FEES FOR
11 SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK AND
12 TO ESTABLISH FEES FOR CUSTOMIZED PRECINCT/DISTRICT MAPS ON
13 ACETATE OVERLAY AND FOR PRECINCT/DISTRICT MAPS ON 35
14 MILLIMETER MICROFILM AND RECORDED MAPS REAL ESTATE RECORDS. WE
15 HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTESTS.

16

17 **CHRISTINE HEFRON:** I'M CHRISTINE HEFRON, CHIEF DEPUTY WITH THE
18 REGISTRAR RECORDER'S OFFICE, AND THESE FEES REFLECT ROUTINE
19 UPDATES OF STANDARD FEES, AND ALSO A RECOGNITION OF THE TYPES
20 OF SERVICES AND THE TYPES OF INFORMATION THAT PEOPLE ARE
21 ASKING FOR AND A RECOGNITION THAT WE'RE TRYING TO PUT
22 INFORMATION IN A WAY THAT IS MORE READILY USABLE BY THE PEOPLE
23 WHO ARE REQUESTING THAT INFORMATION. SO WE'RE ELIMINATING SOME
24 FEES FOR MATERIALS THAT ARE NOT REQUESTED AND PROVIDING LOWER



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1 FEES FOR SELECTED INFORMATION THAT PEOPLE ARE ASKING FOR
2 RATHER THAN PROVIDING EVERYTHING AT ONCE.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ARE THERE ANY PROTESTS OR ANYONE ASKED TO
5 SPEAK ON THIS ITEM?

6

7 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** THERE'S NO WRITTEN PROTESTS, NO ONE HAS
8 REQUESTED TO BE SPEAKING.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IT'S MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY
11 KNABE, WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT THE HEARING BE CLOSED AND THE
12 ITEM BE APPROVED.

13

14 **CHRISTINE HEFRON:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** ITEM 10, HEARING ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT
17 TO TITLE 20, UTILITIES, TO IMPOSE THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT
18 FEE OF 86 CENTS PER TON AS INDICATED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL
19 AGENDA, THAT WAS A CORRECTION, OR 52 CENTS PER CUBIC YARD ON
20 HAULERS LOCATED OR OPERATING WITHIN THE COUNTY THAT COLLECTS
21 SOLID WASTE FOR TRANSPORTATION TO DISPOSAL SITES OR
22 TRANSFORMATION FACILITIES LOCATED OUTSIDE OF THE COUNTY. WE
23 HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTESTS AND NO ONE HAS SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON
24 THIS ITEM.

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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IT'S MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY,
2 SECONDED BY KNABE THAT THE HEARING BE CLOSED AND THAT THIS
3 ITEM BE APPROVED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

4
5 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** THAT COMPLETES THE PUBLIC HEARINGS. SO
6 YOU HAVE YOUR ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS BEFORE YOU.

7
8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WE HAVE SOME ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS AND I
9 THINK THIS IS START WITH THE SECOND DISTRICT. I'M UP FIRST. I
10 MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ELDER
11 ULYSSES BLAKE WHO PASSED AWAY ON FRIDAY APRIL 11TH, HE WAS 82
12 YEARS -- I'M SORRY HE WAS 92 YEARS OLD AND A LONG-TIME
13 RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES. MR. BLAKE SERVED AS PASTOR OF ST.
14 JOHN CHURCH. UNDER HIS LEADERSHIP, IT FLOURISHED AND BECAME
15 KNOWN THROUGHOUT THE SOUTH LAND AS A POWER HOUSE, HE WAS AN
16 INSPIRATION TO SEVERAL MINISTERS WHO UNDER HIS TUTELAGE WOULD
17 GO ON TO ESTABLISH THEIR OWN CHURCHES. HE'S SURVIVED BY EIGHT
18 SONS AND FOUR DAUGHTERS. AND DOROTHY ELIZABETH THOMAS WHO
19 PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 17TH AT THE AGE OF 76. MRS. THOMAS WAS A
20 LONG TIME RESIDENT OF THE SECOND DISTRICT AND IS SURVIVED BY
21 HER SON, RICHARD S. THOMAS, A DAUGHTER, CECILY V. THOMAS, AND
22 HER GRANDCHILDREN, ROXANNE MARIE THOMAS, AND MAURICE MICHAEL
23 THOMAS. MARTHA LYDIA GUERRERON, WHO PASSED AWAY APRIL 18TH,
24 2003, A DEVOTED MOTHER AND GRANDMOTHER, HER LOVING SPIRIT WILL
25 BE MISSED BY ALL. SHE'S SURVIVED BY THREE DAUGHTERS, TWO SONS,



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1 AND NUMEROUS GRANDCHILDREN AND GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. STEVE
2 HEARN SENIOR, WHO PASSED AWAY AT 93. A LIFELONG RESIDENT OF
3 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. MR. HEARN WAS A CARPENTER AND MASON BY
4 TRADE AND ACTIVE IN THE UNION. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS SON, STEVE
5 HEARN, JR. CYNTHIA -- CINDY EUGENIA PESIGON RUBI, WHO PASSED
6 AWAY WEDNESDAY APRIL THE 2ND IN A TRAGIC TRAFFIC COLLISION
7 INVOLVING A DRUNK DRIVER. A HIGHLY INVOLVED STUDENT LEADER,
8 MISS RUBI HAD JUST BEGUN HER FINAL QUARTER AT U.C.L.A. AND WAS
9 PREPARING FOR GRADUATION IN JUNE. HER VIBRANT AND LOVELY
10 PRESENCE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL. CINDY IS SURVIVED BY HER
11 PARENTS, CARLOS AND AURORA RUBI AND HER FOUR SISTERS, ARLENE,
12 MARIO, AND VERONICA JOYCE. VERNA CANSON, FORMER DIRECTOR OF
13 THE N.A.A.C.P. WESTERN REGION FROM 1974 TO '88. VERNA DIED OF
14 CANCER ON APRIL 14TH, 2003, SHE WAS 81, SPENDING ALMOST 50
15 YEARS AS AN EQUAL RIGHTS ADVOCATE AND GRASSROOTS ACTIVIST. SHE
16 WAS A LOBBYIST SPECIALIZING IN LEGISLATION TO PROTECT LOW-
17 INCOME FAMILIES. DURING THE '50S AND '60S MISS CANSON PLAYED A
18 PIVOTAL ROLE IN MAKING HOUSING AND OTHER LOANS AVAILABLE TO
19 MINORITIES BY ASSISTING FELLOW LAWYERS IN CHALLENGING THE
20 FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION AND SACRAMENTO PUBLIC HOUSING
21 AUTHORITY OVER DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES. HER VISION OF
22 LEADERSHIP AND DEDICATION TO EQUALITY HAS LEFT AN INDELIBLE
23 IMPRINT ON ALL. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER, FAITH; HER
24 SON, CLARENCE, TWO GRANDCHILDREN AND A BROTHER, AND I'D LIKE
25 TO ADD THAT I CERTAINLY, WORKING WITH HER IN SACRAMENTO WAS A



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1 GREAT PLEASURE AND SHE WAS A DEDICATED HARD WORKER WHO MADE SO
2 MUCH DIFFERENCE IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. ALL LOBBYISTS ARE
3 NOT FOR SPECIAL INTERESTS, SHE WAS A LOBBY FOR THE PEOPLE'S
4 INTERESTS. AND PATTY HOMER, WHO PASSED AWAY LAST NIGHT, SHE
5 WAS THE WIFE OF BILL HOMER, EDITOR OF THE POLITICAL ANIMAL
6 NEWSLETTER, AND EDITOR OF THE LUCERN VALLEY COMMUNITY PAPER,
7 THE LEADER. AND ALL MEMBERS ON THAT ONE. NORBERT SHLAI,
8 PRINCIPLE AUTHOR OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964, THE ECONOMIC
9 OPPORTUNITY ACT OF 1964, THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT OF 1965 AND THE
10 IMMIGRANT REFORM ACT OF 1967. HE WAS A KEY LAWYER IN THE
11 KENNEDY AND JOHNSON ADMINISTRATION WHO FOUND LEGAL UNDER-
12 PINNING FOR THE 1962 BLOCKADE OF CUBA. MR. SHLAI PASSED AWAY
13 THURSDAY APRIL 17TH AT THE AGE OF 73. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS
14 WIFE, JOAN; BY HIS CHILDREN, I GUESS IT'S BLAKE, GRAHAM -- BY
15 HIS THREE CHILDREN AND HE CERTAINLY IS SOMEONE THAT WE KNEW
16 FOR A LONG PERIOD OF TIME, VERY ACTIVE IN SO MANY THINGS AND
17 HIS FORMER WIFE, BARBARA SHLAI, WAS A GOOD FRIEND TO ALL OF
18 US. AND SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY WOULD JOIN IN THAT. AND NINA
19 SIMONE, A MAVERICK SOULFUL SINGER AND PIANIST WHO PERFORMED "A
20 PROTEST IN HEARTBREAK," SHE PASSED AWAY ON MONDAY APRIL 21ST,
21 IN FRANCE AT THE AGE OF 70. TEDDY EDWARDS, TENOR SAXOPHONIST,
22 CONSIDERED ONE OF THE CROWN JEWELS OF THE LOS ANGELES CENTRAL
23 AVENUE JAZZ SCENE OF THE '50S. HE PASSED AWAY ON SUNDAY IN LOS
24 ANGELES AT THE AGE OF 78 AFTER A LONG BATTLE WITH PROSTATE
25 CANCER. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS SON, TEDDY EDWARD, JR. AND HIS



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1 SISTER, VELMA DIAZ ENFANT, AND NUMEROUS NEPHEWS AND NIECES.
2 AND DEPUTY PROSECUTOR STEPHANIE R. WILSON, WHO PASSED AWAY
3 EARLY SUNDAY AT HER HOME AFTER A YEAR FIGHTING AN INOPERABLE
4 BRAIN TUMOR, SHE WAS 34 YEARS OLD. SHE WAS THE MOTHER OF TWO
5 YOUNG SONS, SHE BECAME ILL AFTER RETURNING TO WORK FROM
6 PREGNANCY A YEAR AGO. SHE GRADUATED FROM SOUTH WESTERN
7 UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL IN '93, JOINED THE D.A.'S OFFICE IN '94
8 WHERE SHE HAD ASSIGNMENTS AT THE COMPTON BRANCH OFFICE, LOS
9 PODRINAS JUVENILE COURT AND THE CENTRAL TRIALS. IN FEBRUARY
10 1998 SHE JOINED THE HARD CORE GANG UNIT HIGH ENFORCEMENT AND
11 TARGETING PROGRAM, PROSECUTING GANG MEMBERS FROM LENNOX AND
12 MORE RECENTLY THE ATHENS AREA. AS PART OF HER ASSIGNMENT SHE
13 WORKED WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, THE
14 COUNTY PROBATION AND RIDGE STONE FAMILY CENTER AND A GANG
15 PREVENTION PROGRAM AT LENNOX MIDDLE SCHOOL. SHE'S SURVIVED BY
16 HER HUSBAND, SCREENWRITER, DAVE CARPENTER, SONS JACK, THREE,
17 AND MICHAEL, ONE AND A HALF YEARS, HER PARENTS AND A SISTER.
18 SO ORDERED. WE ARE HOLDING ITEM 36, I THINK WAS HELD FOR
19 MOLINA, AND YAROSLAVSKY. ITEM 51-D IS HELD FOR REPORT. AND
20 THAT'S A -- I'M DOING 51-D. YEAH. I WAS GOING TO LEAVE IT FOR
21 YOU TO CALL UP, THE ONES YOU'RE HOLDING. WE HAVE A REPORT ON
22 THAT, ON 51-D FROM THE SHERIFF AND THE HEALTH SERVICES. ARE
23 THEY HERE? ARE THEY COMING UP? YES.
24



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1 **CHUCK JACKSON:** YES MA'AM, CHUCK JACKSON, CHIEF OF CORRECTIONAL
2 SERVICES DIVISION.

3

4 **DR. JONATHON FIELDING:** I'M JONATHON FIELDING, DIRECTOR OF
5 PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH OFFICER AND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
6 SERVICES.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I KNOW THAT EVERYONE WANTS TO GET UPDATED
9 ON WHERE WE ARE AND IF THERE'S ANY CHANGE SINCE THE LAST
10 REPORT.

11

12 **CHUCK JACKSON:** WELL LET ME BEGIN, SUPERVISOR. WE'VE BEEN
13 MEETING MONTHLY WITH THE M.R.S.A. TASKFORCE, WHICH INCLUDES
14 REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT MEDICAL SERVICES
15 BUREAU, OUR -- ALL OF OUR CUSTODY FACILITIES, COMMUNITY
16 TRANSITION UNIT, PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES, AS AND WE ALSO INCLUDE
17 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, AND MOST SPECIFICALLY, DR.
18 ELIZABETH BANCROFT. WE'VE BEEN REVIEWING ALL OF OUR PRACTICES
19 WITHIN EACH OF OUR JAILS AS FAR AS LAUNDRY EXCHANGE, AS FAR AS
20 THE TREATMENT OF THE POTENTIAL OR DIAGNOSED M.R.S.A.
21 INFECTIONS. WE HAVE HAD POLICY CHANGES IN FOUR OUT OF FIVE OF
22 OUR JAILS ON HOW WE HANDLE IDENTIFIED CASES OR SUSPECTED CASES
23 OF M.R.S.A. WE HAVE INITIATED SCREENING OF ALL INMATES COMING
24 IN THROUGH THE INMATE RECEPTION CENTER. WE'VE ADDED ADDITIONAL
25 QUESTIONS FOR THE MEDICAL SCREENING FORMS TO TRY TO IDENTIFY



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1 EARLY ON POTENTIAL CASES OF M.R.S.A. INFECTIONS, AND WHEN
2 FOUND, THERE -- TREATMENT IS INITIATED IMMEDIATELY INSTEAD OF
3 WAITING FOR A RETURN FROM THE LABORATORY ANALYSIS. WE HAD A,
4 WHAT APPEARS TO BE A SPIKE THIS LAST MONTH IN M.R.S.A. CASES,
5 HOWEVER, PART OF THAT SPIKE MAY BE DUE IN FACT TO THE BETTER
6 SCREENING PROCESSES BOTH IN THE I.R.C. AND IN ALL OF OUR
7 JAILS.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** DR. FIELDING?

10

11 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU, I'M JOINED BY DR. ELIZABETH
12 BANCROFT, WHO IS A PHYSICIAN EPIDEMIOLOGIST, WHO'S BEEN THE
13 KEY PERSON WORKING FROM THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT ON THIS. LET ME
14 JUST REVIEW. WE WERE NOTIFIED IN JUNE 2002 OF AN INCREASE IN
15 M.R.S.A. INFECTIONS BY THE STAFF AT THE JAIL. WE'VE WORKED
16 CLOSELY WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. WE MADE A DETAILED
17 RECOMMENDATION IN AUGUST OF 2002 AND THEY WERE BASED ON
18 IMPROVING SURVEILLANCE AND MEDICAL CARE, IMPROVING PERSONAL
19 HYGIENE, INCLUDING SHOWERS, SOAP, AND LAUNDRY, IMPROVING
20 ENVIRONMENTAL DECONTAMINATION, AND ALSO EDUCATING STAFF AND
21 INMATES ABOUT M.R.S.A. SINCE AUGUST OF 2002, THE SHERIFF'S
22 STAFF OF THE JAIL HAVE MADE EFFORTS TO COMPLY WITH THESE
23 RECOMMENDATIONS, STAFF AND INMATES HAVE BEEN RECEIVING
24 EDUCATION ABOUT M.R.S.A., MEDICAL PERSONNEL HAVE BEEN ISSUED
25 INSTRUCTIONS TO TREAT ALL WOUND INFECTIONS AS IF THEY WERE



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1 M.R.S.A., INMATES ARE SCREENED FOR SKIN INFECTIONS WHEN
2 THEY'RE ADMITTED TO THE JAIL, AND RECENTLY, SEVERAL FACILITIES
3 IN THE JAIL HAVE DEVELOPED POLICIES TO CHANGE LAUNDRY AND BED
4 CLOTHES AND CLEAN THE CELL OF AN INMATE WITH NEWLY-DIAGNOSED
5 M.R.S.A. INFECTIONS. UNFORTUNATELY, HOWEVER, THE CASES OF
6 M.R.S.A. HAVE NOT DECREASED. SINCE THE BEGINNING OF 2003,
7 PRELIMINARY REPORTS INDICATE THAT THERE HAVE BEEN 325 NEW
8 WOUND INFECTIONS, INCLUDING 125 IN MARCH, AND AT LEAST 10
9 INMATES HAVE HAD M.R.S.A. WHILE HOSPITALIZED IN JANUARY AND
10 FEBRUARY. NOW, SOME OF THIS INCREASE MAY BE DUE TO BETTER
11 SURVEILLANCE FOR SKIN INFECTIONS AND THE JAIL SHOULD GET
12 CREDIT FOR THAT, BUT THE BOTTOM LINE IS THAT THE SITUATION
13 SINCE AUGUST IS NOT GETTING BETTER, AND THIS WILL ULTIMATELY
14 COST THE COUNTY TAXPAYERS A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF MONEY FOR
15 TREATING INMATES WITH M.R.S.A. INFECTIONS, INCLUDING
16 HOSPITALIZATIONS, AND NOW IT MAY ALSO BE AFFECTING SOME
17 SHERIFF'S EMPLOYEES. THERE'S THE ADDITIONAL BURDEN IN THE
18 INMATES AND JAIL STAFF, IF THEY ACQUIRE THE INFECTION, CAN
19 BRING M.R.S.A. HOME TO THEIR FAMILIES AND OTHER CLOSE
20 CONTACTS. WE COMMEND THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THE WORK
21 THEY'VE DONE SO FAR, BUT WE ALSO BELIEVE THE SHERIFF'S
22 DEPARTMENT NEEDS TO MORE AGGRESSIVELY IMPLEMENT THE
23 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WERE MADE LAST AUGUST. THIS INCLUDES
24 INCREASING LINEN EXCHANGES, ENSURING THERE IS ACCESS TO SOAP
25 BY ALL INMATES, INCREASING ENVIRONMENTAL DECONTAMINATION,



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1 WORKING OUT A SCHEDULE SO THAT INMATES IN SMALLER CELLS WOULD
2 HAVE MORE ACCESS TO SHOWERS, AND ENSURING THAT INMATES GET
3 APPROPRIATE MEDICAL CARE, INCLUDING INCISION AND DRAINING OF
4 THESE SKIN LESIONS WHILE THEY'RE AT THE JAIL. WE APPRECIATE
5 THAT THE LARGE NUMBER OF INMATES AND THE VERY HIGH RATES OF
6 TURNOVER COMPLICATE THE LOGISTICS FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
7 AND WE'RE AWARE THAT SOME OF THESE RECOMMENDATIONS REQUIRE
8 SIGNIFICANT RESOURCES. NEVERTHELESS, GIVEN THE SIZE OF THIS
9 PROBLEM AND THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE PROBLEM, BOTH TO
10 INDIVIDUALS AND THE BROADER COMMUNITY, A STRONG SENSE OF
11 URGENCY IS DEFINITELY NEEDED. WE'RE COMMITTED TO HELPING THE
12 JAIL DECREASE THE NUMBER OF M.R.S.A. INFECTIONS. STAFF FROM
13 PUBLIC HEALTH, AS CHIEF INDICATED, MEET ONCE A MONTH WITH
14 STAFF FROM THE JAIL, THERE'S A JOINT TASKFORCE. WE'RE
15 PROVIDING GUIDANCE ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS.
16 IF -- WE'VE ALSO PROVIDED MANY PRESENTATIONS TO EDUCATE JAIL
17 PERSONNEL, AND WE'LL WORK WITH THE JAIL ON EDUCATIONAL
18 MATERIALS THAT COULD BE DISTRIBUTED TO STAFF. IF THESE
19 RECOMMENDED MEASURES DON'T CONTAIN THE SPREAD OF M.R.S.A., A
20 TRIAL OF CHLORHEXIDINE, WHICH IS AN ANTI-BACTERIAL SOAP USED
21 BY HOSPITALS TO DECOLONIZE PATIENTS WITH M.R.S.A. WOULD BE
22 INDICATED AT LEAST FOR A SERIOUS CONSIDERATION. THIS IS
23 EXPENSIVE AND IT'S NOT BEEN USED IN FACILITIES OF THIS SIZE
24 AND WITH THIS COMPLEX AN ENVIRONMENT, BUT WE THINK IT IS WORTH
25 CONSIDERING. ON THE OTHER HAND, WE THINK ALL THE OTHER



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1 RECOMMENDATIONS SHOULD BE FULLY IMPLEMENTED BEFORE ONE MOVES
2 TO THIS. WE ALSO THINK THAT ANOTHER IMPORTANT MEASURE TO
3 SUPPORT M.R.S.A. CONTROL IN THE JAIL WOULD BE HIRING NEW
4 PERSONNEL, SUCH AS HIRING NURSE PRACTITIONERS THAT COULD
5 APPROPRIATELY DIAGNOSE AND TREAT WOUND INFECTIONS WITH
6 INCISION AND DRAINAGE, THUS FREEING PHYSICIANS TO TREAT OTHER
7 INMATES, TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF REGULAR NURSES SO THAT
8 SPECIALIZED WOUND NURSES ARE ABLE TO TREAT THE M.R.S.A. WOUND
9 INFECTIONS THAT AREN'T PULLED OFF INTO OTHER DUTIES, AND TO
10 HIRE AN EPIDEMIOLOGIST PREFERABLY A PHYSICIAN WHO COULD TRACK
11 PATTERNS OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES, IDENTIFY OUTBREAKS EARLY AND
12 IMPLEMENT CONTROL MEASURES. IF SUCH A PERSON WAS AVAILABLE,
13 M.R.S.A. MIGHT HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AT A MUCH EARLIER STAGE IN
14 THE JAIL AND IT MIGHT -- CONTROL MIGHT HAVE BEEN MUCH EASIER.
15 A FULL-TIME EPIDEMIOLOGIST COULD ASSIST THE JAIL NOT ONLY WITH
16 M.R.S.A., BUT OTHER DISEASES, SUCH AS HEPATITIS C, H.I.V.,
17 T.B., AND OTHER INFECTIONS. EVEN WITH COMPLETE COMPLIANCE WITH
18 OUR CONTROL MEASURE RECOMMENDATIONS, M.R.S.A. WILL NOT BE
19 COMPLETELY ERADICATED FROM THE JAIL. WE KNOW THAT IT IS IN THE
20 COMMUNITY, AND SOME INMATES ARE BEING ADMITTED TO JAIL ALREADY
21 WITH M.R.S.A. INFECTIONS. HOWEVER, THE EXPERIENCE OF OTHER
22 FACILITIES, ALBEIT ON A SMALLER SCALE, OTHER PRISONS INCLUDED,
23 SHOW THAT M.R.S.A. INFECTIONS CAN BE CONTROLLED. WE STAND
24 READY TO CONTINUE TO ASSIST WITH THIS IMPORTANT ACTIVITY.

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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YES, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

2

3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ARE INMATES GIVEN A -- SOME TYPE OF AN
4 EXAMINATION UPON ENTRANCE INTO CONFINEMENT?

5

6 **CHUCK JACKSON:** YES SIR, EVERY INMATE THAT'S PROCESSED THROUGH
7 THE INMATE RECEPTION CENTER, AND THEY PROCESS EVERY INMATE
8 COMING INTO THE COUNTY JAIL, IS MEDICALLY SCREENED. THEY
9 ANSWER A SERIES OF QUESTIONS TO DETERMINE IF THERE IS ANY
10 PREEXISTING MEDICAL CONDITIONS, AND/OR SPECIFICALLY NOW IF
11 THEY HAVE ANY SKIN ABSCESSSES OR SORES. THAT BEING DONE, THEN
12 THEY'RE SCREENED BY A PHYSICIAN AND STARTED ON SOME TYPE OF
13 ANTIBIOTIC REGIMEN.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IS IT -- WITH THE SCREENING, DO WE STILL HAVE
16 A PROBLEM OF INMATES WITH THE INFECTION NOT BEING DETECTED?

17

18 **CHUCK JACKSON:** I THINK IT MAY BE A LITTLE BIT PREMATURE TO
19 MAKE THAT STATEMENT RIGHT NOW BECAUSE WE'RE SO EARLY ON INTO
20 SOME OF OUR PREVENTATIVE MEASURES THAT WE'VE INITIATED,
21 INCLUDING THE EDUCATION AND THE TRAINING OF OUR PERSONNEL AS
22 WELL AS INMATES, IS THE INCREASE IN THE LAUNDRY FROM THE NORTH
23 P.D.C. AND GETTING IT DOWN TO THESE JAILS, AND WE'RE DOING
24 QUITE A FEW THINGS DIFFERENTLY WITHIN THE LAST THREE WEEKS, SO
25 IT'S KIND OF EARLY YET, AT LEAST FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, TO SAY



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1 THEY'RE STILL CATCHING IT INSIDE. I'M SURE THERE HAS TO BE
2 SOME OF THAT, BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW THAT WE'LL EVER BE A
3 HUNDRED PERCENT ON IDENTIFYING EVERY WOUND.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE WAY THIS CAME TO MY ATTENTION IS THE FACT
6 THAT A DEPUTY'S CHILD WAS INFECTED, AND I DON'T KNOW IF THE
7 CHILD WAS PLACED IN INTENSIVE CARE OR WHATEVER, YOU HAVE THAT
8 INFORMATION, BUT THE QUESTION IS, HAVE OTHER DEPUTIES BEEN
9 INFECTED WITH THE M.R.S.A.?

10

11 **CHUCK JACKSON:** WE HAVE, AT THIS DAY, WE HAVE ONE CONFIRMED
12 CASE OF A CUSTODY ASSISTANT THAT HAS A LAB RETURN INDICATING
13 M.R.S.A., WE HAVE OTHER DEPUTY SHERIFFS AND CUSTODY SUPPORT
14 PERSONNEL THAT HAVE REPORTED WHAT THEY BELIEVE TO BE SPIDER
15 BITES IN THE PAST, PAST JUNE, UP THROUGH DECEMBER, AT A TIME
16 WHEN WE WERE NOT AWARE, WE BEING CUSTODY, WAS NOT AWARE THAT
17 THESE WERE POTENTIALLY M.R.S.A. INFECTIONS. UNFORTUNATELY,
18 THOSE PERSONNEL TO MY KNOWLEDGE HAVE NOT HAD CULTURES TAKEN TO
19 CONFIRM WHETHER OR NOT IT'S M.R.S.A. WE HAVE ONE SERGEANT
20 RIGHT NOW THAT WE HAVE REQUESTED GO BACK TO HIS MEDICAL CARE
21 PROVIDER REQUESTING A CULTURE SPECIFICALLY FOR M.R.S.A., THOSE
22 RESULTS HAVE NOT BEEN RETURNED.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HOW OFTEN IS THE INMATE GIVEN CLEAN
25 UNDERWEAR AND SHEETING?



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CHUCK JACKSON: DEPENDING ON THE FACILITY RIGHT NOW, THOSE
INMATES, AND THESE ARE SOME OF THE NEW POLICY CHANGES, THAT
HAVE SUSPECTED OR CONFIRMED CASES OF M.R.S.A., THEY ARE
REMOVED FROM THEIR CELL OR DORMITORY, ALL BEDDING AND LINEN IS
REMOVED WITH THEM, THEY'RE TAKEN TO THE MEDICAL SERVICES
BUREAU WHERE THEY'RE SCREENED AND TREATED, THEY'RE REISSUED AT
THAT TIME NEW CLOTHING, NEW BEDDING, THEY'RE OF COURSE THEY'RE
TREATED MEDICALLY WITH THE CLEAN BANDAGES. THEIR CELL OR
DORMITORY THAT THEY HAVE LEFT HAS BEEN CLEANED WITH THE NEW
CLEANING PROGRAMS THAT THE JAILS HAVE IMPLEMENTED, THAT
INCLUDES TWIN TOWERS, CENTRAL JAIL, NORTH COUNTY CORRECTIONAL,
P.D.C. NORTH AND P.D.C. EAST. IN THOSE CASES WHERE WE HAVE A
CELL SITUATION WHERE THEY SHARE A CELL WITH OTHER INMATES
CLOSE BY, THOSE INMATES ARE ALSO REMOVED FROM THE CELL, CELL
CLEANED, CLOTHING EXCHANGED IMMEDIATELY, BEDDING CHANGED
IMMEDIATELY AND THEN RETURNED TO A CLEANER ENVIRONMENT.

18

SUP. ANTONOVICH: IS YOUR POLICY TO HAVE YOUR BLANKETS CLEANED
ONCE A MONTH, OR ONCE A WEEK?

21

CHUCK JACKSON: RIGHT NOW, TITLE 15 REQUIRES BLANKET EXCHANGE
AT ONCE A MONTH, AND THAT'S WHAT WE'RE ABLE TO DO, WITH THE
EXCEPTION OF THOSE INMATES THAT HAVE SUSPECTED OR CONFIRMED
CASES OF M.R.S.A., THEIR CLOTHING AND UNIFORM EXCHANGES IS



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1 DAILY, THEIR BEDDING IS WEEKLY, BUT AGAIN, THEY'RE CONFINED
2 AND THEY'VE GOT CLEANED AND MEDICATED WOUNDS.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OF THOSE THAT HAVE M.R.S.A., HOW MANY OF
5 THOSE WERE NOT TAKING DAILY SHOWERS?

6

7 **CHUCK JACKSON:** I WOULDN'T HAVE -- I HAVE NO IDEA SIR.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ARE YOU REQUIRING DAILY SHOWERS FOR HYGIENE?

10

11 **CHUCK JACKSON:** WE ARE ALLOWING FOR DAILY SHOWERS IN EVERY
12 FACILITY WITH A POTENTIAL EXCEPTION OF CENTRAL JAIL, WHICH IS
13 A LITTLE MORE RESTRICTIVE BASED ON THE CELL CONFIGURATION
14 VERSUS OPEN DORMITORIES. I KNOW SOME OF THE INFORMATION
15 PROVIDED TO YOU, SIR, WAS AT THE 5,000 OR 9,000 WHERE THE
16 MAJORITY OF THE M.R.S.A. CASES ARE, THOSE ARE DORMITORY
17 SETTINGS, THEY HAVE SHOWER AVAILABLE 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN
18 DAYS A WEEK, SO THEY HAVE THE ABILITY TO TAKE A SHOWER,
19 THEY'RE ENCOURAGED TO TAKE SHOWERS. THAT IS ALSO WHERE WE
20 HOUSE OUR SICK CALL OR PILL CALL INMATES, SO THAT'S WHERE YOU
21 WOULD SEE THE LARGER NUMBERS OF M.R.S.A. WE DON'T LEAVE THEM
22 BACK IN A CELL UNLESS IT'S A HIGH SECURITY CELL AND A
23 CLASSIFICATION ISSUE.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO YOU'RE NOT REQUIRING DAILY SHOWERS, YOU'RE
2 GIVING THEM THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE A DAILY SHOWER.

3

4 **CHUCK JACKSON:** WE CANNOT FORCE AN INMATE TO TAKE A SHOWER,
5 SIR. WE ENCOURAGE IT, YOU KNOW, IT'S ONE OF THOSE THINGS YOU
6 JUST TRY TO DO THE BEST YOU CAN TO GET THEM IN THERE.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU CAN REQUIRE AN INMATE TO BE CLEAN AND
9 HAVE GOOD HYGIENE IN ORDER TO NOT INFECT HIS BUNK MATE.

10

11 **CHUCK JACKSON:** I UNDERSTAND THAT, SIR. WE CANNOT FORCE AN
12 INMATE TO TAKE A SHOWER. WE CAN SEND THEM DOWN THERE, WE CAN
13 TURN THE WATER ON, WE CANNOT FORCE THEM TO TAKE A SHOWER.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL IF YOU PUT THEM DOWN THERE AND TURN ON
16 THE WATER, OBVIOUSLY THERE'LL BE SOME TYPE OF CLEANSING TAKING
17 PLACE THAT'S NOT TAKING PLACE, AND YOU DON'T HAVE -- YOU KNOW,
18 IT'S -- I WOULD VENTURE TO SAY THAT MANY OF THOSE THAT HAVE
19 THE INFECTION ARE THOSE WHO ARE NOT PRACTICING GOOD HYGIENE,
20 AND IF YOU ALLOW THAT INDIVIDUAL TO CONTINUE TO INFECT HIS
21 PEERS, YOU'RE -- IT'S A DANGER TO THE OTHER INMATES AND THE
22 STAFF OF THE INSTITUTION.

23

24 **CHUCK JACKSON:** AGAIN, SIR, WE DO WHAT WE LEGALLY CAN TO GET
25 THE INMATES IN THERE, TO GET THEIR SHOWERS, ARE PROPERLY



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1 CLEANED, WE PROVIDE THEM WITH THE SOAPS AND THE NECESSARY
2 INSTRUMENTS FOR THAT, UP TO THE POINT OF ACTUALLY FORCING AN
3 INMATE UNDER THE WATER, THAT'S ABOUT AS FAR AS WE CAN TAKE IT.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO YOU ALLOW INMATES TO USE THE TELEPHONE OR
6 VENDING MACHINES IN LIEU OF GOING TO A SHOWER?

7

8 **CHUCK JACKSON:** ACTUALLY, WE'RE TRYING TO REVISE THAT RIGHT
9 NOW, AND WE'RE LOOKING AT IT VERY CAREFULLY BECAUSE IT IS A
10 BALANCE BETWEEN CREATING DISTURBANCES FOR LACK OF WHAT THEY
11 CONSIDER TO BE A BENEFIT AND A RIGHT VERSUS SHOWERS, BUT WE'RE
12 TRYING WITH CENTRAL JAIL TO, WHEN WE OPEN THE GATES FOR
13 SHOWERS, IS TO LIMIT IT SO THERE ARE NO VENDING MACHINES OR
14 TELEPHONES AVAILABLE.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT WOULD SEEM TO ME --

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** CAN I JUST ASK A QUESTION AT THAT POINT MIKE,
19 REAL QUICK, IF YOU DECLARE THIS TO BE A PUBLIC NUISANCE, A
20 PUBLIC HAZARD, YOU CAN MANDATE IT, COULD YOU NOT?

21

22 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** NO, SUPERVISOR, IF WE DECLARED A PUBLIC
23 HEALTH EMERGENCY, WE COULD MANDATE IT. WHETHER WE -- WHETHER
24 IT WOULD MEET THE DEFINITION, WE CERTAINLY CAN LOOK AT.
25 THERE'S TIMES LIMITED AND THERE'S COURT REVIEW AFTER A CERTAIN



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1 PERIOD OF TIME. CERTAINLY IT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL TO KNOW
2 EXACTLY TO WHAT DEGREE SOME OF THESE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE BEING
3 FULFILLED. I DON'T THINK WE KNOW AT THIS POINT HOW BIG OF A
4 PROBLEM WE HAVE, FOR EXAMPLE WHAT PERCENTAGE OF INMATES ARE
5 NOT TAKING A SHOWER OR ARE NOT USING SOAP, OR THOSE THINGS.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT TO HAVE THAT INFORMATION, YOU HAVE TO
8 DOCUMENT WHO IS NOT TAKING A SHOWER EVERY DAY, SO YOU HAVE TO
9 HAVE THAT INFORMATION, AND IS THAT INFORMATION NOW BEING
10 TABULATED?

11

12 **CHUCK JACKSON:** NOT BY NAME, NO SIR.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, AS THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH, WOULD
15 NOT THAT INFORMATION BE NECESSARY FOR YOU TO CONTINUE YOUR
16 RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW TO RESOLVE THIS ISSUE, THIS OUTBREAK?

17

18 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** I THINK IT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL TO
19 KNOW A NUMBER OF THE THINGS FOR EVERY FACILITY EXACTLY HOW
20 MANY INMATES ARE GETTING EXCHANGES AT THE PROPER RATE, PROPER
21 FREQUENCY AS PRESCRIBED, HOW MANY ARE TAKING SHOWERS ON A
22 DAILY BASIS, ARE THERE ANY PROBLEMS WITH ACCESS TO SOAP, THOSE
23 KIND OF THING. I'M NOT SUGGESTING THAT THERE ARE, I'M JUST
24 SAYING WE -- THAT SINCE WE'RE NOT MAKING --

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT YOU CAN ORDER THEM TO GIVE YOU THAT
2 INFORMATION, CAN YOU NOT, IF YOU HAVE THIS OUTBREAK?

3

4 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WELL, WE CERTAINLY ARE ASKING FOR AS
5 MUCH INFORMATION AS WE CAN FROM THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE WITH
6 RESPECT TO THAT, TO FULLY IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT, BUT HOW ARE YOU GOING TO COMPLY WITH
9 THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S REQUEST FOR THAT INFORMATION?

10

11 **CHUCK JACKSON:** I DON'T KNOW THAT I CAN.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY DO YOU SAY THAT?

14

15 **CHUCK JACKSON:** I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'VE BEEN TO OUR JAILS,
16 SUPERVISOR --

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'VE BEEN TO THE JAIL.

19

20 **CHUCK JACKSON:** BUT IF YOU'VE SEEN A JAIL WITH 85 INMATES IN A
21 DORMITORY SETTING, IT WOULD BE PHYSICALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO CHECK
22 OFF EACH INMATE AS THEY WALK INTO A SHOWER SOMETIME DURING A
23 24-HOUR PERIOD. I MEAN TRULY, IT'D BE PHYSICALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO
24 CHECK THAT TYPE OF INFORMATION. IT MIGHT BE A LITTLE BIT
25 EASIER WHERE YOU HAVE A SIX-MAN CELL AND YOU LET SIX INMATES



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1 OUT AND THEN YOU CAN THEN CHECK FOR THOSE SIX INMATES. BUT I
2 MEAN THEY'RE -- EACH JAIL IS DIFFERENT, EACH JAIL SETTING IS
3 DIFFERENT. I MEAN, IT'S WE WOULD -- BELIEVE ME, I WOULD LOVE
4 TO BE ABLE TO TELL YOU EACH AND EVERY TIME AN INMATE WENT AND
5 TOOK A SHOWER OR NOT, BUT I DON'T KNOW THAT IT'S PHYSICALLY
6 POSSIBLE.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT WORKING WITH THE PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTOR,
9 YOU CAN DEVELOP A PROTOCOL. I MEAN, YOU HAVE A CAPTIVE
10 AUDIENCE.

11

12 **CHUCK JACKSON:** AND AGAIN IN A CONFINEMENT PLACE --

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEY'RE NOT A GROUP OF TWO-YEAR-OLDS, I MEAN.

15

16 **CHUCK JACKSON:** ABSOLUTELY, BUT IF YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT 84
17 INMATES IN A DORMITORY, YOU'D BE TALKING ABOUT HAVING ONE
18 PERSON STAND THERE 24 HOURS A DAY CHECKING TO SEE IF AN INMATE
19 WENT TO A SHOWER, I DON'T KNOW THAT THAT'S PHYSICALLY
20 POSSIBLE.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** COACHES DID THAT ALL THE TIME WHEN WE WENT
23 THROUGH SCHOOL. AND WE WERE ALL CAPTIVE AS WELL. I WOULD MOVE
24 THAT THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE SHERIFF, LEE BACA,
25 AND MR. JACKSON DEVELOP SOME TYPE OF PROTOCOL TO GET A HANDLE



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1 ON THIS. IF YOU HAVE AN EPIDEMIC SPREADING, YOU'RE GOING TO
2 CREATE A REAL MAJOR DISTURBANCE AND IT'S IN EVERYONE'S
3 INTEREST THAT WE RESOLVE THAT NOW.

4

5 **CHUCK JACKSON:** AND THAT'S WHY WE'RE WORKING VERY DILIGENTLY
6 WITH HEALTH SERVICES, WITH OUR UNIT COMMANDERS TRYING TO
7 ESTABLISH NEW PROCEDURES AND PROTOCOLS TO ACCOMPLISH MUCH OF
8 WHAT D.H.S. HAS RECOMMENDED. WHETHER WE GET TO A HUNDRED
9 PERCENT COMPLIANCE OF EVERYTHING THEY'RE ASKING FOR, PROBABLY
10 NOT, BUT WE'RE GOING TO GET A LONG WAY, AND WE HAVE TO SEE
11 WHAT TYPE OF IMPROVEMENTS WE'RE GOING TO SEE. I PERSONALLY
12 BELIEVE WE'RE STILL A LITTLE BIT EARLY ON TO DECLARE THAT
13 WE'VE LOST EVERYTHING. WE HAVEN'T SEEN THE RESULTS OF SOME OF
14 THE NEW CHANGES THAT HAVE TAKEN PLACE.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL YOU'RE NOT GOING TO HAVE GOOD PROGRESS
17 UNLESS YOU HAVE GOOD HYGIENIC PRACTICES, SO IF YOU'RE JUST
18 GOING TO GIVE A BAND-AID TO THE PROBLEM, YOU'RE NOT GOING TO
19 SOLVE THE SPREAD OF A COMMUNICABLE DISEASE. I MEAN, AND THAT'S
20 WHY I -- YOU KNOW, DR. FIELDING AND THE SHERIFF HAVE TO WORK
21 TOGETHER TO GET SOME TYPE OF A PROTOCOL, AND I WOULD MOVE THAT
22 WE DIRECT THE -- DR. FIELDING AND THE SHERIFF TO WORK TOGETHER
23 TO RESOLVE THIS M.R.S.A. SPREAD.

24

25 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IS THERE A SECOND?



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M NOT -- I THINK HE'S SAYING THEY'RE
3 DEVELOPING A PROTOCOL. DID I HEAR YOU INCORRECTLY?

4

5 **CHUCK JACKSON:** WE'RE CONSTANTLY TRYING TO TAKE WHAT D.H.S. IS
6 GIVING US AS FAR AS RECOMMENDATIONS, WE ARE CHANGING OUR
7 PROCEDURES IN THE JAILS, WE ARE TRYING TO INCREASE THE SHOWER
8 AVAILABILITY FOR ALL INMATES, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO INCREASE
9 THE LAUNDRY EXCHANGES FOR ALL INMATES, WE ARE TRYING TO
10 INCREASE THE -- DECREASE THE BEDDING EXCHANGE TO TWICE A
11 MONTH.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT SOUNDS LIKE -- AND THIS IS ALL IN
14 CONSULTATION WITH D.H.S.?

15

16 **CHUCK JACKSON:** ABSOLUTELY SIR, WE'VE BEEN WORKING HAND IN HAND
17 WITH THEM FOR FOUR MONTHS.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THIS SOUNDS LIKE A PROTOCOL TO ME. ISN'T
20 THAT A PROTOCOL? MAYBE YOU'RE NOT CALLING IT A PROTOCOL, BUT
21 IT'S CERTAINLY A POLICY OF SOME SORT.

22

23 **CHUCK JACKSON:** WE'RE DEVELOPING AND DOING THE BEST WE CAN.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** -- PROCEDURE.



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2 **CHUCK JACKSON:** I'M JUST SAYING WE MAY NEVER GET TO A HUNDRED,
3 ABSOLUTELY A HUNDRED PERCENT COMPLIANCE WITH SHOWERS EVERY
4 DAY, TOWELS EVERY DAY, BEDS EVERY DAY, BLANKETS EVERY DAY,
5 SHEETS EVERY DAY, SOCKS EVERY DAY. THERE'S A LIMIT TO HOW MUCH
6 LAUNDRY CAN BE DONE ON A DAILY BASIS AND THE DISTRIBUTION. WE
7 ARE DOING EVERYTHING IN OUR POWER TO GET TO THAT POINT, BUT WE
8 MAY NEVER, EVER GET TO A HUNDRED PERCENT.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL YOU'VE BEEN PREVIOUSLY ASKED TO -- TO
11 REGULARLY REPORT TO THE BOARD ON THIS, IN FACT I BELIEVE IT
12 WAS A MOTION I MADE SEVERAL MONTHS AGO. YOU HAVE BEEN
13 REPORTING REGULARLY, YOU ARE TAKING ACTION, THIS IS A VERY
14 INTERESTING MOTION THAT WAS PUT ON THERE. WE GOT -- INSTEAD OF
15 A WRITTEN REPORT, WE GOT AN ORAL REPORT, IT'S ALWAYS GOOD TO
16 HAVE AN ORAL REPORT. I THINK WE SHOULD JUST LET YOU CONTINUE
17 TO DO YOUR JOB AND JUST DO WHAT YOU NEED TO DO TO GET THIS
18 THING UNDER CONTROL AND TO REGULARIZE IT, AND I THINK THAT'S
19 WHAT YOU'RE DOING.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT IT'S GOING TO TAKE THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC
22 HEALTH TO BE INTEGRALLY INVOLVED BECAUSE SINCE 2003 --

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL I THINK HE IS.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SINCE 2003 WE HAVE HAD 325 NEW CASES OF
2 INFECTION, INCLUDING 125 LAST MARCH.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MIKE, I KNOW ALL THE STATISTICS, I WROTE IT
5 IN A MOTION A FEW MONTHS AGO. WE KNOW ALL THE STATISTICS.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S RIGHT, AND THAT'S WHY YOU NEED TO HAVE
8 GOOD HYGIENE.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DR. FIELDING IS INVOLVED IN THIS, ARE YOU
11 NOT?

12

13 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** YES.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** PERSONALLY AND THROUGH YOUR STAFF. IS THAT
16 CORRECT?

17

18 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** YES, THAT'S CORRECT.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL RIGHT.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THAT'S WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT. DR.
23 FIELDING AND THE SHERIFF NEED TO DEVELOP A PROTOCOL THAT'S
24 GOING TO RESULT --

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THEY ARE, THEY ARE.

2

3 **SUP. MOLINA:** OH, PLEASE, THEY ARE NOT. IF THEY WERE, THEY
4 WOULD SPIT IT OUT.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE SHOWER ISSUE --

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HE JUST SPIT IT OUT.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, HE DIDN'T. NO, HE DIDN'T.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE GOOD THING IS WE HAVE A TRANSCRIPT, WE
13 CAN JUST PULL IT UP.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** MAY I JUST ASK A VERY FAST QUESTION? WILL
16 YOU REPORT BACK TO US ON HOW YOU WORK OUT THIS CONFLICT
17 BETWEEN PEOPLE WANTING TO GO TAKE A SHOWER OR GO TO THE
18 VENDING MACHINES OR USE THE TELEPHONE?

19

20 **CHUCK JACKSON:** ABSOLUTELY.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I THINK THAT'S WHAT WE REALLY NEED TO FIND
23 OUT IS, YOU SAY YOU'RE TRYING TO WORK THAT OUT. COULD YOU
24 REPORT IN THE NEXT REPORT WHAT YOU'VE WORKED OUT SO THAT



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1 PEOPLE ARE IN, AS I UNDERSTAND, IT'S A LONG LINE FOR THE
2 TELEPHONE, AND IT'S THE TELEPHONE IS NOT READILY AVAILABLE.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** A TELEPHONE IN THE SHOWER.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** BUT, I MEAN, WE NEED TO -- WE WANT -- I'M
7 SURE YOU CAN WORK OUT SOMETHING, SO THE CHOICE ISN'T I EITHER
8 TAKE A SHOWER OR I USE THE TELEPHONE OR I GET TO GO TO THE
9 VENDING MACHINE.

10

11 **CHUCK JACKSON:** THAT'S THE PROBLEM WE'RE WORKING WITH AT
12 CENTRAL JAIL AND WE ARE TRYING SOME DIFFERENT OPTIONS, YES
13 MA'AM, I CAN PROVIDE THAT TO YOU.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WOULD YOU REPORT BACK TO US NEXT MONTH ON
16 THAT?

17

18 **CHUCK JACKSON:** YES, MA'AM.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. YES ALL RIGHT, SUPERVISOR
21 MOLINA?

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** MADAM CHAIR, AND AGAIN, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY I
24 DON'T KNOW WHAT ASSURANCES YOU FEEL, I DON'T FEEL ASSURED BY
25 THE RESPONSES TO THESE QUESTIONS. I THINK THEY'RE SIMPLE



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1 QUESTIONS, THEY'RE BASIC QUESTIONS. NOT THE FIRST TIME THEY'VE
2 BEEN ASKED. AND I THINK THAT IT'S JUST YOU'RE PUTTING UP TOO
3 MANY BARRIERS AS TO -- YOU NEED TO GET CONTROL OF THIS.
4 THERE'S GOING TO BE A LAWSUIT FILED VERY SOON. ALL RIGHT? AND
5 I'M NOT WILLING TO CONTINUE TO PAY OUT LAWSUITS WHEN WE HAVE
6 WAYS THAT WE CAN CONTROL IT. NOW IF YOU HAVE A PROTOCOL IN
7 PLACE, TELL US WHAT IT IS.

8

9 **CHUCK JACKSON:** WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO BRING NEXT TIME THE ACTUAL
10 POLICIES FOR THE DIFFERENT JAILS MA'AM, IN I COULD DO THAT. I
11 JUST DIDN'T BRING THEM TODAY.

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13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK SO. I THINK THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL.
14 PUT IT IN WRITING WHAT YOU'VE SAID HERE.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA:** I THINK THAT YOU NEED TO TELL US, AND I THINK
17 THAT'S WHAT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH NEEDS AS WELL, AT LEAST I
18 DO, IS THAT YOU ARE GETTING CONTROL OF IT. WHAT IS THE POLICY,
19 HOW ARE YOU HANDLING IT? WE HAD READ THE OTHER REPORTS THAT
20 WERE GIVEN TO US, AND SINCE THEN, I MEAN, I DON'T KNOW THAT
21 THE NUMBERS HAVE CHANGED ALL THAT DRAMATICALLY. IT IS STILL
22 SOMETHING THAT IS CONTINUING AND IT'S TROUBLESOME, IT IS
23 TROUBLESOME. I NEED MORE ASSURANCES.

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1 **CHUCK JACKSON:** AGAIN, I'LL BE HAPPY TO BRING THOSE NEW
2 POLICIES TO YOU MA'AM, WE'VE BEEN MAKING CHANGES, WORKING WITH
3 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, EACH JAIL, THOUGH, IS SLIGHTLY
4 DIFFERENT, SO EACH JAIL HAS A SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT POLICY ON HOW
5 WE DO THAT. I WILL BRING ONE FOR EACH JAIL.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA:** SIR, I DON'T CARE HOW YOU DO IT, I JUST THINK
8 THAT YOU NEED TO PROVIDE US ASSURANCES THAT YOU ARE GETTING IT
9 UNDER CONTROL, YOU WILL GET IT UNDER CONTROL, WE ARE GETTING
10 TO CONTROL, WE ARE GOING TO BE DOING THESE THINGS BECAUSE
11 EVERYTHING THAT WAS ASKED IS "WE CAN'T DO THAT, YOU DON'T KNOW
12 HOW HARD IT IS TO DO THAT." AGAIN, WE APPRECIATE HOW DIFFICULT
13 IT IS, BUT I THINK AT THE SAME TIME, WHEN THIS LAWSUIT IS
14 FILED AND WHEN THEY GET TO COURT, IF WE DON'T HAVE THE DUE
15 DILIGENCE THAT WE DID EVERYTHING WE COULD, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE
16 A TOUGH TIME AGAIN, AND I THINK THAT'S ALL WE'RE ASKING.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND USUALLY WHEN THEY ARE ON SICK CALL, THEY
19 CAN HAVE A BOX THAT THE DOCTOR WILL ASK THEM IF THEY'VE BEEN
20 TAKING DAILY SHOWERS. THAT WILL GIVE YOU KIND OF A
21 UNDERSTANDING AS WELL IF THEY ARE OR IF THEY'RE NOT.

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23 **CHUCK JACKSON:** NOT EVERY INMATE GOES TO SICK CALL EVERY DAY
24 SIR BUT.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO, BUT IF YOU HAVE THE INFECTION, YOU HAD
2 323 I JUST READ.

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4 **CHUCK JACKSON:** THOSE ARE HANDLED DIFFERENTLY. AND AGAIN THOSE
5 INMATES THAT HAVE AN M.R.S.A. INFECTION OR SUSPECTED M.R.S.A.
6 INFECTION ARE TREATED PRETTY MUCH ON A DAILY BASIS.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT PRIOR TO THEM GOING TO SICK CALL TO
9 REPORT WHAT THEY HAVE, YOU'RE GOING TO ASK THEM SOME
10 QUESTIONS. ONE OF THE QUESTIONS YOU'RE GOING TO ASK, "HAVE YOU
11 BEEN TAKING A DAILY SHOWER?"

12

13 **CHUCK JACKSON:** AGAIN, THOSE QUESTIONS ARE ASKED AT TIME OF
14 BOOKING. I MEAN IF YOU HAVE SOMEBODY WHO'S JUST REPORTING FOR
15 SICK CALL THAT'S BEEN IN CUSTODY FOR A WHILE, WE COULD
16 PROBABLY ASK THAT QUESTION.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S WHAT I'M SAYING.

19

20 **CHUCK JACKSON:** WE'RE TALKING -- AGAIN I MUST BE TALKING APPLES
21 AND ORANGES, WE HAVE A SCREENING PROCESS AT THE VERY BEGINNING
22 OF BOOKING. WE ASK THOSE TYPES OF QUESTIONS, A SHOWER DOESN'T
23 APPLY THEN. THEN IT'S SICK CALL AT A LATER TIME, THAT MAY BE A
24 QUESTION WE CAN ASK INMATES.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT, THAT'S WHAT I'M TALKING -- THAT'S WHAT
2 I'M TALKING ABOUT. THAT'S WHAT I'M REFERRING TO, IT'S THE
3 BASIC HYGIENIC PRACTICES THAT ONCE, YOU KNOW, THEY'RE IN
4 CUSTODY, WE WANT TO ENSURE THAT THEY'RE NOT GOING TO INFECT
5 THEIR CELL MATE AS WELL OR THE DEPUTY THAT THEY HAVE CONTACT
6 WITH OR THE DEPUTY'S FAMILY, PERHAPS IN THAT ONE CASE THAT HAS
7 BEEN.

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9 **CHUCK JACKSON:** THAT'S MY GOAL ALSO, SIR.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IS THERE ANYTHING FURTHER? THEN
12 YOU ARE GOING TO REPORT BACK TO US ON WHAT THE PROTOCOL OR
13 WHAT YOU'RE PLANNING TO DO RIGHT.

14

15 **CHUCK JACKSON:** YES, MA'AM.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WITH THE INCREASE IN MARCH, WHAT IS THE --
18 WHAT'S HAPPENING IN APRIL? IT'S ONLY BEEN TWO WEEKS IN APRIL.

19

20 **CHUCK JACKSON:** I DON'T HAVE ANY OF THE PRELIMINARY INFORMATION
21 YET. AGAIN, THAT'S COLLECTED BY, AS DR. FIELDING HAS NOTED, WE
22 DON'T HAVE AN EPIDEMIOLOGIST, SO WE'RE RELYING ON HEALTH
23 SERVICES AND WE PROVIDE THEM INFORMATION, WE SEND LABS -- OR
24 CULTURES OUT TO LABS AND THEN WAIT FOR THE RETURN, AND I DON'T
25 HAVE THOSE NUMBERS FOR YOU YET.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING FOR THE FIRST THREE
3 WEEKS OF APRIL DR. FIELDING?

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5 **DR. JONATHON FIELDING:** SIR WE DON'T AT THIS POINT, SUPERVISOR.

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7 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE'LL GET THEM TO YOU AS SOON AS WE
8 HAVE THEM.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY AND IF WE HAVE THAT INCREASE AGAIN THAT
11 WE HAD IN MARCH, THEN I WOULD SUGGEST WE HAVE ANOTHER
12 DISCUSSION OF THIS WITHIN THE WEEK THAT WE GET THAT --

13

14 **DR. ELIZABETH BANCROFT:** SUPERVISOR, THIS IS DR. BANCROFT, AND
15 I'VE BEEN SUPERVISING -- LOOKING OVER THE EPIDEMIOLOGY DATA. I
16 ACTUALLY THINK THE INCREASE IN MARCH REFLECTS BETTER MEDICAL
17 PRACTICES THAN IT DOES A TRUE INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF WOUND
18 INFECTIONS. AND IN MARCH, I GAVE A TALK TO THE MEDICAL STAFF,
19 AND AGAIN ENCOURAGED THEM TO MAKE SURE TO CULTURE ALL LESIONS,
20 ALL WOUNDS THAT WERE BEING PRESENTED IN MEDICAL SICK CALL. WE
21 SAW A SIMILAR INCREASE IN OCTOBER WHEN I MADE A SIMILAR
22 PRESENTATION. I THINK ACTUALLY THE JAIL SHOULD BE COMMENDED
23 FOR THAT INCREASE IN MARCH BECAUSE I THINK IT REFLECTS MEDICAL
24 SERVICES PROVIDING EXCELLENT MEDICAL CARE TO THE INMATES.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY SO IF THERE'S A -- THAT INCREASE LET US
2 RECONVENE PRIOR TO FOUR WEEKS ON THIS ISSUE.

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YOU WANT IT IN THREE WEEKS, THEN?

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, WHEN IF WE HAVE -- OKAY, THREE WEEKS.

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8 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. OKAY.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** UNLESS THERE'S DRAMATIC INFORMATION THAT
11 REQUIRES THAT THEY ASK FOR A WEEK SOONER.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

14

15 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE DID, MADAM CHAIR, WE DID PROVIDE A
16 REPORT, I THINK, TODAY, WHICH IS THE REGULAR UPDATE THAT
17 SUMMARIZES THE INFORMATION TO DATE, ALTHOUGH NOT IN APRIL,
18 SUPERVISOR, AND WE WILL AS SOON AS WE HAVE THAT, WE'LL PROVIDE
19 THAT.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THREE WEEKS, THEN. ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

22

23 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** THREE WEEKS ON THE AGENDA?

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25 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THREE WEEKS YES.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO MOVED.

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM NUMBER
5 36. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, I THINK THAT YOU HELD THIS, AND ONE
6 PERSON HAS ASKED TO SPEAK ON IT.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHAT ITEM NOW?

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10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** 36. MICHELLE GORDY HAS ASKED TO SPEAK ON
11 THIS ITEM.

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13 **MICHELLE GORDY:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. GOOD MORNING, MS.
14 BURKE. I'M BACK ONCE AGAIN ABOUT THAT CHILD THAT BECAME DRUG
15 ADDICTED AT NINE YEARS OLD WHILE IN THE CARE AND CUSTODY OF
16 THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. YESTERDAY,
17 THAT CHILD WAS UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF CRACK COCAINE AND
18 COMMITTED A ROBBERY WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE. I HAVE BEEN
19 WORKING WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION TO TRY TO GET HIM IN
20 A DRUG TREATMENT PROGRAM. AS YOU KNOW, THIS CHILD IS BARRY
21 GORDY'S GREAT NEPHEW, HE IS ALSO THE GREAT NEPHEW OF MARVIN
22 GAYE. MANY OF THESE PEOPLE GAVE YOU JOY GROWING UP. WELL, IT'S
23 NOT BEEN A JOY FOR ME AT MY HOME BECAUSE I WAS NOT GIVEN BACK
24 THAT EIGHT YEAR OLD THAT WAS SNATCHED OUT OF THE BAD HOLLERING
25 "YOU BETTER LEAVE ME HERE, I WANT TO STAY WITH MY MOM." I DID



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1 NOT GET THAT CHILD BACK, I GOT A ELEVEN YEAR OLD GANG TATTOOED
2 DRUG ADDICT BACK, I HAVE GONE TO THE COURTS AND ASKED THEM
3 "PLEASE, HERE'S DRUG INFORMATION, HERE'S TOX SCREENS ON THIS
4 CHILD. HE NEEDS HELP." I DID NOT GET IT. THEY TOLD ME HE HAD
5 RIGHTS, HE DID NOT HAVE TO GO AND BE DRUG TESTED. HOW CAN YOU
6 MAKE A PARENT DRUG TEST AND YOU DON'T MAKE A CHILD DRUG TEST?
7 HOW CAN YOU SAY YOU'RE GOING TO PROTECT THIS CHILD AND THEN
8 YOU ALLOW THIS CHILD TO BECOME DRUG ADDICTED, TO BECOME GANG
9 TATTOOED, AND NOW HE'S SITTING UP AS FAR AS MR. SHUMSKY JUST
10 TOLD ME, HE COULD BE FACING A SECOND STRIKE AT 18 YEARS OLD,
11 HE JUST TURNED 18, 11/17, HE WAS BORN IN 1984, HE JUST TURNED
12 18. HE COMMITTED A CRIME AT 14 YEARS OLD WHILE UNDER THE
13 INFLUENCE OF CRACK COCAINE, METHAMPHETAMINES, AND P.C.P. THIS
14 IS A TRAVESTY FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I KNOW THAT YOU ALL MUST
15 AGREE THAT THIS CHILD FELL INTO AN ABYSS. HE DID NOT FALL INTO
16 A CRACK. OKAY. I HAVE BEEN DEALING WITH THIS PROBLEM, TRYING
17 TO GET THROUGH MR. BRANDON, WHO IS A PROBATION OFFICER,
18 FACILITIES TO PUT THIS CHILD IN. I COULDN'T GET ONE. I CALLED
19 EVEN YESTERDAY. I'M NOT LOOKING AT TIME EXPIRED BECAUSE THIS
20 IS A SERIOUS PROBLEM FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IT CAN BE A HELL
21 OF A LIABILITY FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY, SO I THINK YOU PEOPLE
22 SHOULD LISTEN TO ME TODAY BECAUSE IT WILL GET BIGGER IF MY
23 CHILD IS STRUCK. I AM NOT KIDDING. I'VE GOT ALL THIS
24 DOCUMENTATION. I'VE GOT THE VIDEOTAPES, AND YOU KNOW, WE'VE
25 GONE THROUGH IT ABOUT PETER DEGREE AND ALL THE THINGS THAT WAS



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1 DONE TO ME AND MY CHILDREN. I CAME TO YOU AND LET YOU KNOW, MY
2 AUNT MISS DONNA EMMERSON AND RAVEN EMMERSON WERE USING DRUGS
3 AT THEIR HOME, THEY WERE HAVING MY SON BUY DRUGS. WHAT WAS I
4 TOLD? "MIND YOUR BUSINESS, PUT A RESTRAINING ORDER, DON'T LET
5 HER GO NEAR HER KIDS." THAT WAS NOT THE CASE, BECAUSE MY
6 DAUGHTERS WOULD CALL ME, MY COUSIN WOULD CALL ME, "YOUR SON IS
7 OUT IN THE STREET," IT'S 2 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING. HE'S ONLY
8 NINE YEARS OLD, HE'S ONLY 10 YEARS OLD, HE'S ONLY 11 YEARS
9 OLD. WHEN I WENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY
10 SERVICES WHEN HE WAS WITH MISS ZANOVIA MADDOX, I DO BELIEVE
11 WAS THE NAME OF THE FOSTER CARE PERSON, HE WAS COMING IN AT 11
12 O'CLOCK AT NIGHT AT 10 YEARS OLD. I WENT TO THE COURTS AND I
13 SAID, "THIS CHILD HAS BEEN OUT IN THE STREETS. HE'S ONLY 10.
14 THERE NEEDS TO BE SOMETHING DONE ABOUT THIS. OKAY? HE'S USING
15 DRUGS." NO HELP.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** YOU KNOW, UNFORTUNATELY, WE CANNOT TELL THE
18 COURT WHAT TO DO AND WE DO NOT HAVE THE AUTHORITY OVER THE
19 COURT, BUT AT THIS POINT, AND YOU SAY HE'S 18 --

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21 **MICHELLE GORDY:** HE JUST TURNED 18.

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23 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** HE'S IN A PROBATION, UNDER PROBATION?

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1 **MICHELLE GORDY:** JUVENILE PROBATION, BUT NOW HE'S COMMITTED AN
2 ADULT OFFENSE, YESTERDAY.

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4 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY, ALL RIGHT, WILL SOMEONE FROM
5 PROBATION AND FROM -- CAN SPEAK TO YOU.

6

7 **MICHELLE GORDY:** BUT THAT'S NOT THE ISSUE. THE ISSUE WAS THERE
8 WAS ALREADY A COURT ORDER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND
9 FAMILY SERVICES TO PROVIDE DRUG COUNSELING AND DRUG TREATMENT
10 FOR THIS CHILD. IT WAS NEVER GIVEN TO HIM.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. OKAY. AT THIS POINT, I THINK
13 WHAT YOU WANT IS FOR -- WHERE IS HE IN CUSTODY NOW?

14

15 **MICHELLE GORDY:** HE'S IN GARDENA POLICE DEPARTMENT'S CUSTODY.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, WELL WE CAN HAVE PROBATION
18 CONTACT GARDENA AND MAKE SURE THAT HE GOES INTO -- MY
19 UNDERSTANDING IS THAT AT TWIN TOWERS THEY HAVE A SECTION WHERE
20 ALL OF THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE DRUG PROBLEMS.

21

22 **MICHELLE GORDY:** YEAH MY CONCERN NOW AFTER HEARING ABOUT
23 M.R.S.A. AND KNOWING THAT IT IS A DEADLY DISEASE WHERE WE IN A
24 HOSPITAL HAD TO DOUBLE-GLOVE, TRIPLE-GLOVE.

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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, IF YOU WILL SPEAK TO SOMEONE,
2 MR. SHUMSKY CAN HAVE SOMEONE THERE TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT IT IN
3 TERMS OF MAKING SURE HE GETS INTO A SAFE PLACE IN TERMS OF
4 DRUG -- FOR DRUG REHABIL.

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6 **MICHELLE GORDY:** RIGHT AND THAT HE IS NOT EXPOSED TO ANY
7 DANGER, BECAUSE THIS CHILD HAS ALREADY BEEN ENDANGERED AND PUT
8 AT RISK BY L.A. COUNTY'S THAT'S SUPPOSED TO BE PROTECTING HIM.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, WE APPRECIATE THAT, AND WE'LL --
11 AT THIS POINT WE HAVE TO DEAL WITH THE PRESENT SITUATION.
12 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

13

14 **MICHELLE GORDY:** OKAY AND THIS IS SHOW OF I'VE TOOK HIM TO --
15 TRIED TO GET HIM HELP.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT, SUPERVISOR
18 MOLINA YOU HELD THIS ITEM.

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20 **SUP. MOLINA:** I HELD THIS ITEM 'CAUSE I HAVE AN AMENDMENT THAT
21 I THINK HAS BEEN PASSED OUT, I'M NOT SURE, BUT BASICALLY AS
22 YOU KNOW WE HAVE BEEN CONCERNED AS TO HOW THIS MONEY IS
23 UTILIZED AND SPENT AND I'M VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE STATE
24 BUDGET AND THE KIND OF IMPACT THAT IT'S GOING TO HAVE, 'CAUSE
25 IT MAY CUT INTO THE BASIC CORE OF WHAT WE ARE PROVIDING NOT



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1 ONLY IN PROBATION BUT IN OTHER -- THE YOUTH PROGRAMS AS WELL
2 AS PREVENTION PROGRAMS. THE DEPARTMENT AS YOU KNOW, I'VE BEEN
3 CONCERNED IS NOT ANALYZING AND DOING THE KIND OF EVALUATION.
4 WE HAVE THE RAND REPORT THAT'S SUPPOSED TO BE COMING OUT THIS
5 COMING MONTH, AS WELL AS ANOTHER ONE IN OCTOBER TO EVALUATE
6 HOW THESE PROGRAMS ARE DOING. HAVING BEEN INVOLVED IN THE
7 COMMUNITY, WATCHING SOME OF THESE PROGRAMS IN PLACE AND I
8 THINK THAT SOME OF YOU WHO HAVE THESE PROGRAMS IN PLACE, IT
9 DOESN'T SEEM TO BE MAKING AN ENORMOUS DIFFERENCE. I DON'T
10 KNOW. I CAN'T TELL. YOU THINK THAT WE WOULD NOTICE BY NOW. SO
11 WHAT I'M ASKING IS PRIOR TO THE SPENDING OF ANY PORTION OF
12 NEXT YEAR'S ALLOTMENT OF THESE DOLLARS AND NO LATER THAN MAY
13 THE 27TH OF THIS YEAR THAT THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT PRESENT AN
14 ORAL AND WRITTEN REPORT TO THE PUBLIC, TO THE BOARD OF
15 SUPERVISORS, CONCERNING ITS ANALYSIS AND EVALUATIONS OF
16 PROGRAMS FUNDED BY THESE DOLLARS. I THINK THEY HAVE A DUTY TO
17 LET US KNOW HOW THIS MONEY IS BEING UTILIZED. THE PURPOSE OF
18 THIS REPORT WILL GIVE US ASSURANCE TO THE BOARD THAT THIS
19 MONEY IS BEING WELL SPENT AND PROBATION IS ANALYZING AND
20 MEASURING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF ITS PROGRAMS. IF PROBATION IS
21 UNABLE TO JUSTIFY ITS EXPENDITURES AND ANALYZE THE PROGRAMS IN
22 A HELPFUL MANNER IT SHOULD BE PREPARED TO OFFER CONCRETE
23 SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEM WHICH WOULD INCLUDE SHIFTING MONEY TO
24 PROGRAMS THAT ARE SHOWING TO BE MORE EFFECTIVE AND/OR
25 REFORMING THE MONITORING AND EVALUATION SYSTEM OR BY HIRING



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1 INDEPENDENT EXPERTS TO ASSIST THE DEPARTMENT GET TO GOAL. IN
2 TRYING TO GET THESE DOLLARS OUT OF SACRAMENTO YEARS AGO, UNDER
3 THE SCHIFF GARDENAS BILL, BOTH OF THESE LEGISLATORS HAD EVERY
4 INTENTION THAT THESE PROGRAMS WERE GOING TO GO A LONG WAY AND
5 HELP AND THEY WERE ABLE TO GET US THESE DOLLARS AND WE
6 APPRECIATE IT. BUT I THINK WE HAVE A DUTY HERE TO ANALYZE AND
7 MAKE SURE THESE PROGRAMS ARE FUNCTIONING AND WORKING. WE ARE
8 STILL LOSING TOO MANY OF OUR CHILDREN TO VIOLENCE, TO DRUGS,
9 TO OTHER CRIME. THEY ARE STARTING EARLIER AND EARLIER EVERY
10 SINGLE YEAR AND I THINK WE NEED BETTER INFORMATION. I THINK
11 THE DEPARTMENT NEEDS TO GET ON THE BALL. I MEAN IT CAN'T JUST
12 BE RELYING ON RANDOM ONE-DAY PRODUCE AND SPIT OUT WHAT THE
13 RESULTS ARE. THEY SHOULD KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON, HAVE THE
14 ABILITY TO ANALYZE THESE PROGRAMS AND SEE THE KINDS OF THINGS
15 THAT ARE GOING ON AND HOPEFULLY REDIRECT FUNDS FOR THOSE
16 PROGRAMS THAT ARE DOING A VERY GOOD JOB AND CURTAIL THOSE THAT
17 ARE NOT. SO THAT'S MY AMENDMENT.

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19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, THE
20 AMENDMENT IS ADOPTED.

21
22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CAN WE HEAR FROM SHUMSKY? PARDON ME? WHAT IS
23 THE COST OF A CONSULTANT?



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1 **RICHARD SHUMSKY:** THE RAND CONTRACT SUPERVISOR. WE'VE -- THE
2 TOTAL BETWEEN OUR CONTRACT MONITORS AND RAND IT'S
3 APPROXIMATELY \$1.3 MILLION.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I CAN'T HEAR A WORD YOU'RE SAYING.

6

7 **RICHARD SHUMSKY:** I'M SORRY SUPERVISOR. BETWEEN RAND AND OUR
8 CONTRACT MONITORS WE EXPEND APPROXIMATELY \$1.3 MILLION.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT ON THIS AMENDMENT WHAT WOULD THIS
11 CONSULTANT COST?

12

13 **RICHARD SHUMSKY:** AS I UNDERSTAND THE AMENDMENT, SHE'S --
14 SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S ASKING US TO COME IN AND TO GIVE HER --
15 GIVE THE BOARD INFORMATION AS TO THE EFFECTIVENESS OF EACH
16 PROGRAM, WHAT WE ARE DOING TO MONITOR THE PROGRAMS AND WHAT
17 RAND HAS BROUGHT IN ON THE EVALUATION COMPONENT. WE HAVE SIX
18 OUTCOMES THAT THE STATE HAS PLACED AND THEY'RE -- THE
19 COMPLETION RATE OF PROBATION, RESTITUTION, COMMUNITY SERVICE,
20 THE RATE OF ARRESTS, INCARCERATIONS AND PROBATION VIOLATIONS,
21 THAT INFORMATION IS WHAT RAND GATHERS FOR THE BIG SIX
22 OUTCOMES, THERE ARE OTHER LOCAL OUTCOMES THAT WE ALSO MONITOR.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO RAND IS COMING WITH THAT REPORT SHORTLY?

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1 **RICHARD SHUMSKY:** YES.

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3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY NOW, THIS IS FOR ANOTHER CONSULTANT? NO,
4 OKAY --

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6 **SUP. MOLINA:** THIS IS FOR THE DEPARTMENT TO PRESENT ON MAY 28TH
7 A REPORT OF THEIR OWN ANALYSIS.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY.

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11 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND EVALUATION OF WHICH OF THESE PROGRAMS ARE
12 FUNCTIONING AND WORKING, THEY'RE THE ONES THAT ARE DOING THE
13 DIRECT FUNDING AT THIS TIME AND SHOULD HAVE SOME OF THIS
14 INFORMATION BECAUSE THEY'RE GETTING READY TO MAKE THE -- WHAT
15 IS IT, THIRD-YEAR ALLOCATION NOW. AND SO I THINK WE'RE AT A
16 POINT IN TIME WHERE WE NEED TO GET SOME ANALYSIS OF WHAT'S
17 FUNCTIONING, AND WHAT'S NOT WORKING. WE'RE JUST ASKING THE
18 DEPARTMENT AGAIN TO -- THIS MONEY IS ALLOCATED TO US. WE GIVE
19 IT TO THE DEPARTMENT, THE DEPARTMENT MAKES ITS ALLOCATION.
20 THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT THEY'VE ASKED FOR A CLEAR EVALUATION
21 THAT RAND IS DOING. AND THIS IS -- WE'RE JUST SAYING THAT THE
22 DEPARTMENT LET US KNOW HOW THEY ARE REVIEWING THESE PROGRAMS
23 AND MAKING THESE DECISIONS ON --

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** JUST LET ME ASK THE QUESTION, THEN. THE LAST
2 SENTENCE SAYS "AND/OR REFORMING THE MONITORING AND EVALUATION
3 SYSTEM BY HIRING INDEPENDENT EXPERTS TO ASSIST THE
4 DEPARTMENT." ARE THOSE CONSULTANTS HIRING INDEPENDENT EXPERTS?

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, IF HE CAN'T DO IT THEN HE HAS TO COME AND
7 TELL US HE CAN'T DO IT, THEN HE SHOULD GO OUT AND HIRE A
8 CONSULTANT THAT CAN DO IT FOR HIM. I'M HOPING THE DEPARTMENT
9 CAN DO IT.

10

11 **RICHARD SHUMSKY:** AND I THINK, I TRUST, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, THAT
12 YOU'LL BE PLEASED WITH THE MONITORS WHEN WE EXPLAIN EXACTLY
13 WHAT THEY'VE DONE AND I THINK BY PASSING THIS MOTION TODAY
14 YOU'RE APPROVING THIRD-YEAR FUNDING AS WELL.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, IS THERE -- IT'S AS AMENDED,
17 WITHOUT OBJECTION SO ORDERED. I HAVE AN ITEM TOO FOR NEXT
18 WEEK. I'M GOING TO READ IT BECAUSE YOU KNOW THAT WE WERE
19 REQUIRED THROUGH THE WAIVER TO APPLY FOR F.Q.H.C. STATUS, NOW
20 THAT APPLICATION HAS TO BE FILED BY APRIL 30TH. WE CAN APPROVE
21 THIS NEXT WEEK WHICH AUTHORIZED THE FILING OF IT BUT I KNOW
22 THAT I WOULD FEEL A LITTLE BIT MORE COMFORTABLE IN VIEW OF THE
23 FACT THAT THEY HAVE JUST PUT IT TOGETHER AND I JUST -- IT CAME
24 TO MY ATTENTION TODAY THAT IT HAD TO BE FILED BY THE 30TH. I
25 WOULD LIKE TO PASS THIS OUT, IF POSSIBLE, AND SEE IF THERE'S



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1 NO OBJECTION FROM THE BOARD I'D LIKE TO CONSIDER THIS AS AN
2 EMERGENCY AND GET IT TAKEN CARE OF NOW RATHER THAN WAITING
3 'TIL NEXT WEEK ON WHETHER OR NOT THIS -- WE APPROVE THIS
4 FILING FOR THIS APPLICATION. IT'S BEEN MOVED, I MOVE AND
5 SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO TAKE THIS
6 UP AS AN EMERGENCY MEASURE? IS THERE ANY PROBLEM WITH THIS,
7 MR. PELLMAN?

8

9 **COUNSEL PELLMAN:** MADAM CHAIR, IF THE BOARD HAS JUST BECOME
10 AWARE, SINCE THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA I NEED TO DETERMINE
11 THAT THERE'S A NEED TO TAKE ACTION.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IT JUST CAME TO MY ATTENTION TODAY THAT
14 THIS HAD TO BE FILED BY THE 30TH. ALL RIGHT, THEN I WOULD MOVE
15 THAT -- YOU HAVE, I'VE PASSED IT OUT -- THAT WE -- THE BOARD
16 OF DIRECTORS APPROVE THE F.Q.H.C. GRANT APPLICATION, AND
17 INSTRUCT THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES TO SIGN AN
18 APPLICATION FOR A NEW ACCESS-POINT GRANT UNDER SECTION 330I OF
19 THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE ACT AND INSTRUCT THE DIRECTOR OF
20 HEALTH SERVICES TO INCLUDE IN THE APPLICATION A REQUEST FOR A
21 WAIVER OF GOVERNANCE REQUIREMENTS WHICH WILL IDENTIFY WHICH
22 REQUIREMENTS ARE TO BE WAIVED AND INCLUDE A PRESENTATION OF
23 ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS IN LIEU OF REQUIRED ELEMENTS.

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25 **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL SECOND THAT.



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2 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IT'S MOVED AND SECONDED, IS THERE ANY
3 OBJECTION, WITHOUT OBJECTION THEN IT'S SO ORDERED THEN, THEY
4 WILL BE AUTHORIZED TO GO FORWARD TO FILE THIS APPLICATION WITH
5 A REQUEST FOR A WAIVER OF THE GOVERNANCE, WHICH OF COURSE IS
6 THE BIG PROBLEM THAT WE'LL BE FACING.

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** THE QUESTION I WOULD HAVE IS WHY DID WE JUST
9 BECOME AWARE OF IT, I MEAN SO LATE FROM --.

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11 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** I DON'T THINK -- I DON'T -- WE KNEW THAT IT
12 HAD TO BE FILED BUT I THINK THAT I JUST BECAME AWARE OF IT.

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14 **SUP. KNABE:** NO THAT'S WHAT I MEANT, I MEAN WHY DID NOT THE
15 DEPARTMENT ALERT US OR THAT WOULD BE A BIGGER ISSUE TO ME, I
16 MEAN THAT'S A HUGE ISSUE.

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18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THEY DON'T MIND WAITING 'TIL NEXT WEEK, ON
19 APPROVAL OF IT.

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21 **SUP. KNABE:** NO, NO, I THINK WE SHOULD DO IT TODAY, I AGREE
22 WHOLEHEARTEDLY, I'M JUST SAYING, YOU KNOW, IT COULD'VE -- IF
23 IT HADN'T BEEN BROUGHT TO YOUR ATTENTION OR SOME MEMBER OF THE
24 BOARD WE COULD MISS IT TOO.

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1 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** OKAY, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THAT
2 CONCLUDES MY ITEMS. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN
5 TODAY IN MEMORY OF TWO PEOPLE WHO PASSED AWAY THIS WEEK.
6 SOPHIA RODRIGUEZ SALIZAR, WHO'S A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF
7 PACOIMA IN MY DISTRICT WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 80. SHE'S
8 SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, JOSE, TWO SONS, FOUR DAUGHTERS, A
9 SISTER, A BROTHER, FOURTEEN GRANDCHILDREN, EIGHTEEN GREAT-
10 GRANDCHILDREN. SO PACOIMA HAS LOST AN IMPORTANT MATRIARCH, AND
11 I'D ALSO LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF B.B. SIMON
12 WHO WAS A LONG-TIME MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF THE AMERICAN JEWISH
13 COMMITTEE WHO PASSED AWAY LAST WEEK HERE IN LOS ANGELES.

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15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAD HELD ITEM 37. I'D LIKE TO ASK THE
18 LIBRARIAN TO COME FORWARD AND THE C.A.O. TO COME FORWARD. ARE
19 YOU GOING TO SPEAK FOR THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE? I'M TRYING TO
20 UNDERSTAND SOMETHING, ABOUT HOW THIS SITUATION GOT TO WHERE IT
21 WAS. LAST JUNE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVED A MOTION TO
22 SUPPLEMENT THE LIBRARY'S BUDGET BY \$7 MILLION, IN JUNE. BUT AS
23 I UNDERSTAND IT THE BUDGET THAT THE BOARD CONSIDERED ALSO
24 ASSUMED THAT YOU WOULD HAVE A FUND BALANCE OF \$1 MILLION. THE
25 FUND BALANCE CAME IN IN AUGUST AT SOMETHING LIKE 3 AND A HALF



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1 MILLION DOLLARS -- 2 AND A HALF MILLION DOLLARS, 2.3 MILLION
2 DOLLARS MORE THAN ANTICIPATED. SOME TIME AFTER THE 1ST OF JULY
3 YOUR DEPARTMENT BEGAN TO INCUR OBLIGATIONS, COMMITMENTS,
4 ENCUMBRANCES, HOWEVER YOU WANT TO CALL IT, SOME OF THEM WERE
5 ENCUMBRANCES, SOME OF THE MONEY WAS SPENT, SOME OF THEM WERE
6 JUST THINGS YOU WANTED TO DO. CONSULTANTS, ALL KINDS OF STUFF.
7 I'M TRYING TO UNDERSTAND -- AND NOW THE ITEM BEFORE US TODAY
8 IS TO USE THE \$2.3 MILLION IN ADDITIONAL FUND BALANCE THAT
9 BECAME KNOWN TO YOU AND I GUESS TO EVERYBODY ELSE LAST SUMMER,
10 TWO MONTHS AFTER WE APPROPRIATED \$7 MILLION TO KEEP THE
11 LIBRARIES OPEN. I'M TRYING TO UNDERSTAND UNDER WHAT AUTHORITY
12 YOU INCURRED THOSE OBLIGATIONS AFTER THE 1ST OF JULY? WHO GAVE
13 YOU THE AUTHORITY TO SPEND DOWN OR TO COMMIT THAT FUND BALANCE
14 TO THESE EXPENDITURES? THESE \$2.3 MILLION EXPENDITURES -- AND
15 I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT THE MONEY THAT THE BOARD OFFICES HAVE
16 PUT IN OUT OF THEIR DISCRETIONARY FUNDS TO SUPPLEMENT
17 PROGRAMS, THAT'S NOT THE ISSUE, I'M TALKING ABOUT MONEY THAT
18 IS EXCLUSIVELY OUT OF THE -- OUT OF YOUR FUND BALANCE. CAN YOU
19 JUST ANSWER THAT QUESTION FOR ME?

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21 **SHARON HARPER:** SUPERVISOR THE VAST MAJORITY OF THIS ARE
22 PROJECTS THAT WERE PLANNED AND IN PROCESS PRIOR TO THE END OF
23 LAST FISCAL YEAR. SO I BELIEVE THAT SINCE THOSE PROJECTS WERE
24 IN PROCESS THEN WHATEVER THAT WAS AN ACCEPTABLE EXPENDITURE.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OH THAT'S GOOD. SO PRIOR TO LAST FISCAL
2 YEAR'S CONCLUSION, WHICH I WOULD SUPPOSE PRIOR TO JUNE OF LAST
3 YEAR, RIGHT? PRIOR TO THE DAY THAT THIS BOARD SAT HERE AND
4 APPROPRIATED 7 MILLION ADDITIONAL DOLLARS TO YOUR DEPARTMENT
5 YOU KNEW THAT YOU WERE GOING TO SPEND \$2.3 MILLION, YOU \$2.3
6 MILLION OF PROJECTS KIND OF BUILT UP IN THE PIPELINE? IS THAT
7 WHAT YOU'RE TELLING ME?

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9 **SHARON HARPER:** I DON'T THINK THAT'S WHAT I INTENDED.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY THEN WHAT ARE YOU TELLING US?

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13 **SHARON HARPER:** THE C.A.O., WHEN WE WENT THROUGH OUR BUDGET,
14 THEY WERE AWARE OF THOSE PROJECTS, WE HAD IDENTIFIED THOSE AS
15 NECESSARY PROJECTS THAT NEEDED TO BE COMPLETED.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT THEY WERE -- YOU HAD NO FUNDS
18 APPROPRIATED FOR THEM; IS THAT CORRECT? THE \$7 MILLION THAT WE
19 APPROPRIATED FOR YOU IN JUNE DIDN'T GO TO THOSE?

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21 **SHARON HARPER:** DID NOT COVER THAT NO, THOUGH AS WE RECOGNIZED
22 THAT WE WOULD NEED TO CARRY OVER FUND BALANCE FOR THOSE
23 PURPOSES.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT WHERE IN ANY DOCUMENT DID YOU EVER --
2 DID YOU EVER TELL THE BOARD, ASK THE BOARD, ASK AUTHORITY OF
3 THE BOARD TO USE FUND BALANCE FOR THOSE PURPOSES?

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5 **SHARON HARPER:** I DID NOT THIS YEAR, NO.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. AND LAST JUNE WHEN YOU ASKED THE BOARD
8 TO SUPPORT THIS OTHER MOTION -- I THINK IT WAS MR. KNABE WHO
9 MADE THE MOTION, THAT WE ALL SUPPORTED, I THINK WE ALL
10 SUPPORTED, TO ADD \$7 MILLION TO YOUR BUDGET, WHICH WAS A --
11 YOU WERE ONE OF THE ONLY DEPARTMENTS IN THIS COUNTY THAT GOT
12 KIND OF A HUGE PERCENTAGE-WISE AND REAL DOLLARS-WISE, THIS
13 HUGE SUPPLEMENT TO YOUR BUDGET, AT THE TIME THAT WE WERE
14 DISCUSSING THAT SUPPLEMENT, DID YOU INDICATE THAT YOU HAD A
15 MILLION, 2 MILLION, 2 AND A HALF MILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF
16 THINGS?

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18 **SHARON HARPER:** WELL I BELIEVE AT THAT TIME WE DID REVIEW IT
19 WITH THE C.A.O., THEY SAW THAT AND WE DID REVIEW WITH EACH OF
20 YOUR OFFICES WHAT OUR BUDGET WAS AND IT'S, AS I RECALL I THINK
21 WE WERE VERY OPEN ABOUT THOSE PARTICULAR ITEMS. SO I BELIEVE
22 WE DID COVER IT BUT I DO APOLOGIZE, IT WAS NEVER MY INTENT TO
23 MISLEAD THE BOARD.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU DIDN'T SHARE IT WITH MY OFFICE. MY
2 OFFICE -- NOBODY IN MY OFFICE IS AWARE OR WAS AWARE UNTIL TWO
3 WEEKS AGO THAT THERE WERE 2 AND A HALF OR 2.3 MILLION DOLLARS
4 WORTH OF PROJECTS, AND I'LL JUST DEDUCT FROM THAT THE
5 DISCRETIONARY FUNDS, AND I WANT TO JUST MAKE THAT CLEAR HERE,
6 2.2 MILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF PROJECTS THAT ARE -- THAT NONE OF
7 US WERE IN OUR OFFICE WERE AWARE OF THAT. NOW MAYBE EVERYBODY
8 ELSE WAS AWARE OF THAT, I WASN'T, AND I DON'T THINK IT WAS
9 DISCUSSED HERE AT THE BOARD LAST JUNE WHEN WE SUPPLEMENTED
10 YOUR BUDGET BY 7 MILLION DOLLARS. THE POINT OF ALL THIS IS
11 THIS. YOU HAVE, FOR SOME REASON, AND I THINK IT'S GOT TO
12 CHANGE 'CAUSE IT'S UNIQUE, YOU HAVE -- YOUR DEPARTMENT'S FUND
13 BALANCE STAYS WITH THE DEPARTMENT, EVEN THE GENERAL FUND
14 PORTION OF THE DISTRICT -- THE SPECIAL DISTRICT FUNDS IS NOT
15 AN ISSUE. BUT THE GENERAL FUND PORTION OF YOUR FUND BALANCE,
16 WHICH IS ALL OF IT SINCE YOU SPEND DOWN FIRST IN YOUR
17 ACCOUNTING PROCEDURES, YOU SPEND DOWN FIRST YOUR SPECIAL
18 DISTRICT FUNDS, STAY IN YOUR DEPARTMENT. UP UNTIL TODAY -- OR
19 TWO WEEKS AGO, WHEN THIS WAS PLACED ON THE AGENDA, AS I READ
20 IT, YOU DID NOT HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO ENCUMBER ANY FUNDS. YOU
21 DID NOT HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO ENCUMBER ANY FUNDS. NOW IF THERE
22 WAS ANY OTHER DEPARTMENT AROUND HERE, AND THERE HAVE BEEN
23 OTHER DEPARTMENTS, WE'VE REAMED THE SHERIFF OVER THIS, WE'VE
24 REAMED OTHER DEPARTMENTS OVER THIS, WHEN THEY INCUR
25 OBLIGATIONS, FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS WITHOUT BOARD AUTHORITY.



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1 JUST BECAUSE YOU HAD FUND BALANCE DOESN'T GIVE YOU THE
2 AUTHORITY TO SPEND IT, AS I UNDERSTAND THE RULES AND THE LAW.
3 JUST BECAUSE YOU HAVE MONEY IN THE BUDGET, IF IT'S NOT
4 APPROPRIATED YOU CAN'T ENCUMBER IT, AND -- AND YOU DID, AND
5 WHETHER IT'S ENCUMBERED OR WHETHER IT WAS COMMITTED OR WHETHER
6 IT'S SOMETHING THAT'S BEEN, AS I SAID EARLIER, SOMETHING
7 THAT'S BEEN SITTING OUT THERE FOR A WHILE AND FINALLY YOU GOT
8 AN EXTRA 2 AND A HALF MILLION DOLLARS, YOU KNOW, IF WE HAD
9 KNOWN LAST JUNE, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT YOU HAD 100,000 OR MORE
10 DOLLARS IN THERE FOR CONSULTANTS, WE MIGHT HAVE DIMINISHED THE
11 7 MILLION DOLLARS BY 100,000 DOLLARS AND PUT IT SOMEWHERE
12 ELSE. IF WE HAD KNOWN IN JUNE THAT YOU WANTED TO SPEND 200,000
13 DOLLARS ON THE SUBSCRIPTION TO THE L.A. TIMES' COMPUTER SO
14 THAT PEOPLE CAN ACCESS THE COMPUTER, A PERFECTLY LEGITIMATE
15 EXPENDITURE FOR A LIBRARY, WE MIGHT HAVE MADE THE DECISION, DO
16 WE WANT TO DO THAT OR DO WE WANT TO KEEP THE LIBRARIES OPEN?
17 BECAUSE THAT'S A DECISION WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO MAKE AGAIN
18 THIS JUNE. THE MONEY THAT WE'RE SPENDING, THIS 2.3 MILLION
19 DOLLARS, MINUS THE SPECIAL DISCRETIONARY FUNDS, THESE 2.3
20 MILLION DOLLARS ARE FUNDS THAT CAN BE USED FOR THE PURPOSES
21 THAT ARE OUTLINED IN THE C.A.O. MEMO AND YOUR MEMO, OR THEY
22 CAN BE USED TO KEEP THE LIBRARIES OPEN NEXT FISCAL YEAR AND
23 MITIGATE THE DIMINISHING -- THE DIMINUTION OF SERVICE THAT
24 YOU'RE ALREADY TELLING OUR CITIES THAT YOU MAY HAVE TO DO. AND
25 THAT'S THE CHOICE THAT YOU MAY HAVE TO MAKE, IN MY OPINION, IS



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1 WHAT'S MORE IMPORTANT? THE L.A. TIMES SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE
2 ONLINE? MAYBE A LEXIS-NEXIS WOULD BE MUCH CHEAPER, YOU CAN GET
3 ALL THE L.A. TIMES ARTICLES ON LEXIS-NEXIS AND EVERY OTHER
4 PAPER IN AMERICA, AND NOT HAVE TO PAY THE LARGEST TO THE L.A.
5 TIMES, THAT THEY CHARGE FOR ARTICLES THAT ARE MORE THAN SEVEN
6 DAYS OLD, THERE ARE OTHER WAYS TO SKIN THAT CAT. NOW THAT'S
7 THE CHOICE WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO MAKE. AND WHEN A DEPARTMENT
8 -- SHARON, WHEN A DEPARTMENT HAS THIS UNIQUE SITUATION, WHERE
9 THE STUFF ROLLS OVER AND STAYS IN THE DEPARTMENT -- DOESN'T
10 HAPPEN IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, DOESN'T HAPPEN IN, YOU
11 KNOW, IN MOST DEPARTMENTS EXCEPT FOR THE SPECIAL FUNDS. AND
12 I'M JUST -- YOU KNOW, 'CAUSE I KNOW WHAT'S COMING AND I KNOW
13 WHAT'S BEHIND THIS. I THINK THEN AND I SAID IT THE LAST TIME,
14 I THINK THERE'S KIND OF AN UNDERSTANDING IN THIS BUREAUCRACY,
15 AND I'M NOT -- YOU'RE NEW, RELATIVELY STILL, STILL NEW, YOU'RE
16 DOING A GREAT JOB, BUT THERE'S A PHILOSOPHY OUT THERE OR AN
17 EXPECTATION THAT THE BOARD'S JUST GOING TO GIVE YOU WHATEVER
18 YOU WANT. AND MAYBE THERE'S A REASON FOR THAT, MAYBE
19 HISTORICALLY THAT'S WHAT'S BEEN THE CASE. BUT WHEN THE BOARD
20 DOESN'T HAVE FULL INFORMATION ABOUT WHAT'S -- WHAT THE
21 FINANCIAL LANDSCAPE LOOKS LIKE, WE'RE MAKING DECISIONS IN THE
22 BLIND. SO WHEN IN JUNE IF I HAD KNOWN, AND WE HAD -- WE HAD NO
23 WAY OF KNOWING, MAYBE SOME OTHER PEOPLE HAD WAYS OF
24 ANTICIPATING, BUT WE HAD NO WAY OF KNOWING THAT YOU DIDN'T
25 NEED 7 MILLION, YOU REALLY ONLY NEEDED 4.7 MILLION AND



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1 EVERYTHING ELSE COULD'VE BEEN, AS IT HAD BEEN PREVIOUSLY,
2 COULD'VE BEEN DEFERRED, IF THAT'S THE CHOICE. NOW WE'RE
3 TALKING, DAVID JUST HAD AN ANNOUNCEMENT LAST WEEK, THE C.A.O.,
4 ABOUT HOW TERRIBLE THE BUDGET IS, \$800 MILLION GAP WE HAVE TO
5 FILL, SEVERAL HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS MORE COMING AFTER THE
6 STATE DECIDES, IF AND WHEN THE STATE DECIDES TO GET ITS ACT
7 TOGETHER. WE'RE GOING TO BE TAKING BIG HITS, WE'RE TALKING
8 ABOUT CLOSING RANCHO LOS AMIGOS HOSPITAL BEFORE THE END OF THE
9 FISCAL YEAR, WE'RE CLOSING HIGH DESERT HOSPITAL BEFORE THE END
10 OF THE FISCAL YEAR, WE'VE CLOSED 11 CLINICS, AND THIS
11 DEPARTMENT IS KIND OF BEING AND I, YOU KNOW, I LOVE LIBRARIES
12 BUT I LOVE THE SHERIFF TOO AND I LOVE THE FIRE CHIEF, TOO, AND
13 I LOVE THE DA'S OFFICE, TOO. BUT IF EVERYBODY IS HELD HARMLESS
14 OR PARTIALLY HARMLESS THEN SOMEBODY ELSE IS GOING TO PAY A
15 DISPROPORTIONATE PRICE, AND THAT'S JUST NOT RIGHT. AND WHEN
16 THE -- ALL I'M SAYING TODAY, AND THE LAST THING I WANT TO SAY,
17 AND THEN I'M GOING TO MAKE A SUGGESTION TO YOU, IS THAT WHEN
18 WE CONSIDER THE BUDGET, WE NEED TO HAVE ALL THE INFORMATION
19 AVAILABLE TO US, BECAUSE EVENTUALLY WE'RE GOING TO FIND OUT.
20 IT MAY TAKE TEN MONTHS, AS IT DID IN THIS SITUATION, TO FIND
21 OUT THAT YOU HAD THAT BONUS IN AUGUST AND THIS IS HOW YOU
22 INTENDED TO SPEND IT, SINCE WE DON'T TRY TO MICROMANAGE
23 DEPARTMENTS AROUND HERE BUT EVENTUALLY WE'LL FIND OUT. AND IF
24 WE FIND OUT SOMETHING THAT LOOKS DISINGENUOUS OR THAT LOOKS
25 LIKE THE WOOL WAS PULLED OVER OUR EYES INTENTIONALLY OR



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1 UNINTENTIONALLY THEN SOME OF US DON'T TAKE KINDLY TO THAT,
2 WHETHER IT'S THE LIBRARY OR WHETHER IT'S, SURE, GO AHEAD
3 MARGARET.

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5 **MARGARET TODD:** SUPERVISOR, I DO APOLOGIZE. I THOUGHT THAT WE
6 DID A GOOD JOB OF GOING THROUGH ALL THE DETAIL LAST JUNE BUT
7 IT'S OBVIOUS WE DIDN'T DO IT. SO WE FAILED ON THAT PART. BUT I
8 AM MORE THAN HAPPY TO CHANGE OUR PROCEDURES IN ANY WAY THE
9 BOARD WOULD LIKE TO DO, BECAUSE WE WANT OUR BUDGET ISSUES TO
10 BE VERY CLEAR, WE NEED TO HAVE THEM CLEAR NOT ONLY FOR THE
11 BOARD BUT FOR OUR CITIES, WHO ARE ALSO WATCHING OVER OUR
12 SHOULDERS VERY CLOSELY. SO IT'S -- THAT IS NOT A PROBLEM FOR
13 US, WE CAN ADJUST AND CHANGE IN ANY WAY THE BOARD WOULD LIKE
14 US TO DO.

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I APPRECIATE THAT AND I ACCEPT YOUR APOLOGY
17 AND IT WASN'T NECESSARY BUT I APPRECIATE IT. AND LOOK, EVERY
18 CITY THAT WE HAVE THAT YOUR LIBRARIES SERVE UNDERSTANDS WHAT'S
19 GOING ON 'CAUSE EVERY ONE OF THOSE CITIES IS GOING THROUGH THE
20 SAME EXERCISE WE'RE GOING THROUGH. AND I'M SURE WE'VE ALL BEEN
21 AT THE VARIOUS -- TALKING TO THE CITY MANAGERS, OR THE CITY
22 COUNCIL MEMBERS OR THE MAYORS OF THE CITIES WE HAVE. THEY'RE
23 ALL MAKING BUDGET CUTS. IT WOULD ACTUALLY BE PRETTY REMARKABLE
24 AND I THINK KIND OF AN INTERESTING MESSAGE FOR US TO SEND, IF
25 WHILE EVERYBODY ELSE IS SLASHING BUDGETS ALL OVER TOWN, CITIES



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1 AND OUR COUNTY, IF ANYTHING GOT HELD HARMLESS, I THINK THIS
2 YEAR ESPECIALLY, THIS COMING YEAR WOULD RAISE AN EYEBROW IN
3 EVERY ONE OF THE 88 CITIES AROUND HERE, 'CAUSE THERE ISN'T A
4 CITY IN L.A. COUNTY, WITH THE POSSIBLE EXCEPTION OF CERRITOS,
5 THAT ISN'T GOING TO BE MAKING CUTS AND PAINFUL CUTS THIS TIME
6 AROUND, WITH OR WITHOUT THE STATE BUDGET DEFICIT BECAUSE OF
7 WHAT'S GOING ON WITH THE ECONOMY. SO I WANT TO JUST SUGGEST --
8 I'M GOING TO MOVE THE C.A.O.'S REPORT, ALTHOUGH IT'S
9 INCOMPREHENSIBLE, I'M GOING TO MOVE IT AND JUST ASK THAT IN
10 THE FUTURE THAT THE LIBRARY'S FUND BALANCE THAT IS PART --
11 THAT IS NOT SPECIAL-FUNDED -- FUND BALANCE ROLL OVER TO THE
12 GENERAL FUND AND BE TREATED IN YOUR BUDGETARY PROCESS THE SAME
13 AS EVERYBODY ELSE'S, AND THEN WE CAN SEE IF WE WANT TO SPEND 7
14 MILLION OR 9.3, AS WE'RE GOING TO DO IN THIS CASE THIS YEAR,
15 OR 9 I GUESS 'CAUSE YOU'RE NOT GOING TO SPEND 300 OF IT, THEN
16 WE CAN DO THAT WITH OPEN EYES, AND IF WE DON'T WANT TO DO IT
17 WE DON'T HAVE TO DO IT, BUT NOT TO GET SURPRISED LIKE THIS TEN
18 MONTHS INTO THE FISCAL YEAR. THAT'S MY MOTION.

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20 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAM CHAIR, I THINK, I'M NOT TRYING TO DEFEND
21 ANYTHING 'CAUSE I WAS PRETTY UPSET BY THIS AS THE TOTAL
22 AMOUNT, BUT I THINK THE WAY IT CAME TO US NUMBER ONE, IT
23 SHOULD HAVE BEEN AN IMMEDIATE PROCESS TO TAG THE DOLLARS WITH
24 THE PROJECT. I HAD A COUPLE OF PROJECTS IN THERE THAT WE WERE
25 WELL AWARE OF THAT, AND THESE ARE NOT NECESSARILY THAT 2.3,



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1 UNLESS THEY'RE NEW PROJECTS BUT ONGOING PROJECTS, WHERE WE PUT
2 UP MONEY, THE DEPARTMENT SAID THEY HAD MONEY, AND, YOU KNOW,
3 THOSE KINDS OF THINGS AND SO, BUT NEVER KNOWING THAT IT
4 ACCUMULATED AT 2.3 MILLION, I THINK THAT'S -- WE SORT OF KNEW
5 WHAT WAS HAPPENING WITHIN THE CONFINES OF OUR OWN DISTRICT BUT
6 NOT THE BIGGER PICTURE AND THAT WE SHOULD HAVE NEVER WAITED
7 TEN MONTHS TO, YOU KNOW, PUT THE DOLLARS WITH THE PROJECT. I
8 DON'T BELIEVE ANY OF THE 2.3 WERE BRAND NEW PROJECTS AFTER
9 JUNE, THEY'RE MOSTLY -- THEY WERE ALREADY, YOU KNOW, WORKING
10 AND ONGOING, I THINK THAT WAS PART OF THE PROBLEM IN EACH OF
11 OUR DISTRICTS. WE PUT UP MONEY AND THE DEPARTMENT SAID WELL
12 THEY'LL MATCH IT, AND THINKING NOT KNOWING WHERE IT WAS ALL
13 COMING FROM BUT THINKING THEY HAD THE DOLLARS AND WE JUST
14 WAITED TEN MONTHS TOO LONG TO PUT THE PIECE TOGETHER. AND I
15 DON'T KNOW HOW THAT HAPPENS, BUT --.

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17 **MARGARET TODD:** WELL SUPERVISOR, THAT'S NOT GOING TO HAPPEN
18 AGAIN, LET'S JUST PUT IT THAT WAY.

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20 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY, THANK YOU. SECOND.

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22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, WITHOUT OBJECTION SO ORDERED.

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24 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO THIS IS THE PUBLIC LIBRARIAN'S RECOMMENDATION?

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO THIS IS THE C.A.O.'S RECOMMENDATION, THAT
2 WAS MY MOTION.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** OKAY, REVISED RECOMMENDATION.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHICH I THINK SHE'S IN ACCORD WITH.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND BASICALLY THE BUDGE ADJUSTMENT WOULD BE
9 REDUCED BY \$307,000 OF THE LIBRARY'S ORIGINAL RECOMMENDATION,
10 396,000 FROM EXTRAORDINARY MAINTENANCE, AND THEN \$1,111,000
11 AND THEN AN ADDITION \$925,000 FOR A TOTAL ACCOUNTING
12 ADJUSTMENT OF \$1, 986,000. THAT'S WHAT'S BEING MOVED BY THE
13 BOARD.

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15 **MARGARET TODD:** THANK YOU.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAM CHAIR, I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ELSE.

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** JUST ONE LAST THING.

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21 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, SEVERAL ADJOURNMENTS.
24 FIRST OF ALL THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF HELEN GUTHRY SMITH.
25 HELEN WAS A LONGTIME REPORTER, MEMBER OF THE PRESS TELEGRAM



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1 TEAM IN LONG BEACH, AND I GOT TO KNOW HELEN EARLY ON IN HER
2 DAYS WHEN SHE USED TO COVER THE CITY OF CERRITOS. SHE WAS A
3 SINGLE MOTHER OF TWO DAUGHTERS. SHE EARNED HER BACHELORS
4 DEGREE AND HER MASTERS DEGREE IN MASS COMMUNICATIONS FROM CAL
5 STATE LONG BEACH. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTERS PAULA AND
6 JENNIFER, HER GRANDCHILDREN MONICA, KEVIN, DAVID AND HER FIVE
7 SISTERS, ROSEMARY, WANDA, MARTHA, BENNITA AND CAROL. HELEN WAS
8 A CLASS ACT AND A GREAT REPORTER AND SHE COVERED PUBLIC SAFETY
9 ISSUES AND WILL MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW HER. ALSO THAT WE
10 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ALOISE PARKS, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
11 OF 69 AND MADE HER HOME IN HOUSTON. ALOISE OWNED A SMALL
12 BUSINESS, ALOISE'S COLLECTIBLES, OPERATED BY HER AND HER
13 HUSBAND AL FOR 25 YEARS. SHE ALSO SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE
14 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIMITED EDITION DEALERS AND SERVED ON
15 THE ADVISORY BOARD AND COUNCILS FOR PRODUCERS OF COLLECTIBLES
16 SUCH AS THE BRADFORD EXCHANGE, ANESCO AND WALT DISNEY. SHE'S
17 SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF 35 YEARS, AL, DAUGHTERS PATRICIA,
18 SON-IN-LAW DOUGLAS, DAUGHTER MELANIE BRODE AND SON-IN-LAW
19 MICHAEL OF ORANGE. AND MELANIE'S A DEAR FRIEND OF OURS AND I
20 GUESS RAISED THE RIGHT WAY AND OWNS AND OPERATED MEG'S
21 HALLMARK IN CERRITOS, AND WAS MELANIE'S MOTHER. ADJOURN IN
22 MEMORY OF JULIA ALBRECHT, ABOUT ONE MONTH SHY SHE PASSED AWAY
23 ON APRIL 10TH ONE MONTH SHY OF HER 109TH BIRTHDAY. SHE WAS
24 RECENTLY HONORED BY THE SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY STATE COLLEGE
25 WHERE SHE STUDIED LITERATURE AND HOME ECONOMICS FOR BEING THE



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1 OLDEST LIVING ALUMNUS. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER SON IVAN. ALSO
2 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CELESTE BRADY, A LIFELONG
3 ADVOCATE FOR THE RETARDED. HER EFFORTS INCLUDED A VOLUNTEER AT
4 THE FAIRVIEW DEVELOPMENT CENTER AND HELPING TO FOUND THE
5 ASSOCIATION OF RETARDED CITIZENS IN LONG BEACH. SHE'S SURVIVED
6 BY HER HUSBAND FRANCIS, DAUGHTERS EDIE AND JEANIE, AND SON
7 RICHARD AND FIVE GRANDCHILDREN. WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CAROL
8 NORTHWARD WHO PASSED AWAY ALONG WITH HER HUSBAND, DON. THEY
9 WERE WELL-RESPECTED FOR THEIR DUAL PARTICIPATION IN THE LONG
10 BEACH COMMUNITY. CAROL SERVED AS A TEAM MOTHER FOR THE POLY
11 HIGH TRACK TEAMS, WHILE HER HUSBAND DON COACHED BOTH TEAMS.
12 SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND DON, DAUGHTER LOSHANNON, SONS
13 DAVID AND DONELL. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF STEWART
14 JOHNSON, A LONGTIME BANK OF AMERICA MANAGER IN MANHATTAN BEACH
15 FOR FOUR YEARS. VERY ACTIVE IN THE MANHATTAN BEACH COMMUNITY,
16 PAST PRESIDENT OF THE LION'S CLUB, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, ROSE
17 AND SCROLL AWARD FROM THE CHAMBER, AND HE WAS ACTIVE IN ALL
18 FACETS OF THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY AND NUMEROUS COMMUNITY
19 ORGANIZATIONS AND WILL BE TRULY MISSED. FINALLY, THAT WE
20 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF EARL WEINSTEIN, A FORMER RANCHO PALOS
21 VERDES RESIDENT. HE WAS VERY -- A CAREER WITH COX
22 COMMUNICATIONS, MANY PENINSULANS KNEW EARL AS THE MAN BEHIND
23 THE CAMERA RATHER THAN THE STAR IN FRONT OF IT. HIS PASSION
24 WAS PUBLIC ACCESS AND HIS MOST LASTING IMPRESSIONS WERE THE
25 THOUSANDS OF HOURS OF LOCAL EVENTS HE CAUGHT ON TAPE, FROM



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1 GRADUATION CEREMONIES TO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHORUSES, TO THE
2 TASTE OF SOUTH BAY FESTIVAL. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS BROTHER AND
3 FATHER.

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5 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** DIDN'T WE DO THAT LAST WEEK?

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7 **SUP. KNABE:** ALSO THAT I HAVE A READ-IN MOTION FOR NEXT WEEK
8 THAT MY STAFF WILL PASS OUT. SEVERE ACUTE RESPIRATORY
9 SYNDROME, S.A.R.S., HAS BECOME A WORLDWIDE PUBLIC HEALTH
10 CONCERN. FORTUNATELY LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAS ONLY 11 PROBABLE
11 CASES AND NONE ARE LIFE-THREATENING AT THIS POINT. A SECOND
12 SIGNIFICANT THREAT IS THE IRRATIONAL FEAR THE GENERAL PUBLIC
13 HAS CONCERNING S.A.R.S. RECENT NEWSPAPER ARTICLES HAVE
14 REPORTED UNFOUNDED RUMORS ABOUT S.A.R.S. THROUGHOUT THE
15 COUNTY. THIS WENT THROUGH AN INCREDIBLE E-MAIL PROCESS IN THE
16 SAN GABRIEL VALLEY THAT WERE TOTALLY FALSE. THESE FALSE RUMORS
17 UNNECESSARILY RAISE THE ANXIETY LEVEL AND HARM OUR LOCAL
18 ECONOMY. THIS IS ESPECIALLY TRUE IN THE ASIAN AND PACIFIC
19 AMERICAN COMMUNITIES, BUSINESSES IN THE COUNTY'S TRAVEL AND
20 TOURIST INDUSTRY. THE COUNTY HAS A RESPONSIBILITY TO DEAL WITH
21 BOTH THREATS, S.A.R.S. AS A PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUE AND THE
22 IRRATIONAL FEARS SURROUNDING THE ILLNESS. BOTH OBLIGATIONS ARE
23 BEST MET BY MAKING SURE THAT ACCURATE AND COMPLETE INFORMATION
24 REACHES AND IS UNDERSTOOD BY COUNTY RESIDENTS OF ALL LANGUAGES
25 AND BACKGROUNDS. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD INSTRUCT THE



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1 DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES AND THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH
2 IN CLOSE CONSULTATION WITH THE COUNTY OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS
3 TO ONE, CONVENE AND PARTICIPATE IN A BUSINESS AND HEALTH
4 ADVISORY TASKFORCE ON S.A.R.S., SHOULD HAVE REPRESENTATIVES
5 FROM BUSINESS, HEALTH AND MEDIA, ASIAN AND PACIFIC
6 REPRESENTATION FROM THOSE SECTORS SHOULD BE PARTICULARLY
7 STRONG. OTHER COUNTY ORGANIZATIONS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS
8 SHOULD ALSO BE ASKED TO PARTICIPATE AS NECESSARY. TWO, TO
9 GUIDE AND ASSIST THIS TASKFORCE TO DEVELOP A BROAD BASED
10 EFFORT TO ACTUALLY INFORM PEOPLE ABOUT S.A.R.S. IN LOS ANGELES
11 COUNTY, AND THIS SHOULD INCLUDE HOW PEOPLE CAN PROTECT
12 THEMSELVES WHILE AVOIDING FALSE INFORMATION, RUMORS AND
13 OVERREACTION. REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD IN THREE WEEKS AS A SET
14 BOARD AGENDA ITEM ON THE PROGRESS OF THIS TASKFORCE. THAT'S
15 FOR NEXT WEEK, AND I DON'T BELIEVE I HELD ANYTHING.

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17 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TODAY I WOULD LIKE TO, I HAD THREE GOOD
20 FRIENDS WHO PASSED AWAY. ONE WAS JOHN WEEBERG WHO WAS
21 PRESIDENT OF WEB COMPANY WESTERN AND EQUIPMENT SALES AND
22 SERVICE COMPANY BUT HE WAS ALSO THE PAST GRAND KNIGHT OF THE
23 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, A MEMBER OF THE GLENDALE ELKS CLUB '89,
24 BOY SCOUTS ASSISTANT TROOP LEADER, AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF HOLY
25 FAMILY AND INCARNATION CATHOLIC CHURCHES IN GLENDALE. HE



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1 LEAVES HIS WIFE BONNIE, JUST A REAL WONDERFUL COUPLE, QUITE
2 INVOLVED IN ALL OF THE VARIOUS ACTIVITIES IN OUR COMMUNITY AND
3 THREE CHILDREN. ALSO KARL SERENEGLA, WHO WAS FROM BURBANK, 87
4 YEARS OLD, A LONGTIME FAMILY FRIEND AND ALSO QUITE INVOLVED IN
5 THE COMMUNITY AND HE PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 15TH. AND THE VERY
6 REVEREND FATHER GEORGE VENENTOS, WHO WAS THE DEAN OF THE GREEK
7 ORTHODOX SAINT SOPHIA CATHEDRAL IN LOS ANGELES, THE MOST
8 RENOWNED GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL IN THE UNITED STATES, HE
9 LATER BECAME PASTOR OF HOLY TRINITY GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH IN
10 PORTLAND, MAINE. AND WAS AT SAINT SOPHIA'S WHEN I WAS BLESSED
11 BY BECOMING A MEMBER OF THE HOLY SEPULCHER, BY THE BEATITUDE
12 BACK IN 1981 WHEN HE VISITED LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WHICH IS A
13 VERY BEAUTIFUL CEREMONY IN WHICH YOU'RE GIVEN A CROSS BLESSED
14 BY THE BEATITUDE THAT HAS A SLIVER OF THE ORIGINAL CROSS IN
15 IT. COUNCILMAN JOHN FERRERO WAS ALSO KNIGHTED AT THAT SAME
16 CEREMONY ALONG WITH SOME OTHER MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY. BUT
17 HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 70. AND ALSO DAVID LUWRIGHT, WHO
18 WAS A FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, CITY OF
19 COVINA, OWNER OF BOB REMY AUTOMOTIVE IN COVINA. DEBORAH
20 MARTINI. A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF LANCASTER AND INVOLVED IN THE
21 COMMUNITY, PASSED AWAY AT 51. BEATRICE SIMON, WHO WAS A BOARD
22 MEMBER, THE LONGEST SERVING BOARD MEMBER OF THE SAN FERNANDO
23 VALLEY CHILD GUIDANCE CLINIC WHICH HAS DONE A PHENOMENAL JOB
24 THAT I HAVE BEEN INVOLVED WITH, AND THEY ALSO SERVE THE
25 ANTELOPE VALLEY, AND SANTA CLARITA AND SAN FERNANDO VALLEY.



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1 AND WILFORD BILL STROUD WHO WAS THE CREATOR OF THE LOS ANGELES
2 BASED BED, BATH AND TABLE LINENS COMPANY THAT BEARS HIS NAME,
3 HE PASSED AWAY IN ARCADIA AT THE AGE OF 77, AND RICHARD WARN
4 VARLEY OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY WHO PASSED AWAY, HE LEAVES HIS
5 WIFE AND ONE CHILD. YESTERDAY I HAD A VERY MOVING MEETING
6 WHICH WAS ARRANGED, THE CONSUL GENERAL KONO OF JAPAN CALLED MY
7 OFFICE TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH FOUR MEMBERS OF
8 FAMILIES FROM JAPAN AND IF YOU HAVE READ THE RAFU SHIMPO OR
9 SOME OF THE OTHER NEWSPAPERS, YOU'LL REALIZE THAT NORTH KOREA
10 HAD A PATTERN OF KIDNAPPING JAPANESE CHILDREN -- YOUNG ADULTS,
11 KIDNAPPING THEM AND TAKING THEM TO KOREA. AND ONE -- A BROTHER
12 WAS KIDNAPPED IN SPAIN AND TAKEN TO KOREA BACK IN THE -- I
13 BELIEVE IT WAS IN THE LATE 70S, WE MET THE FATHER AND BROTHER
14 OF A DAUGHTER WHO WAS KIDNAPPED AT THE AGE OF 13 FROM A SCHOOL
15 IN JAPAN AND THEN ANOTHER WOMAN WHOSE BROTHER WAS KIDNAPPED
16 AND THEY, YOU KNOW, JUST RECENTLY SOME OF THOSE WHO WERE
17 KIDNAPPED WERE ALLOWED TO COME TO JAPAN AND BE REUNITED AS A
18 RESULT OF A MEETING BETWEEN THE PRIME MINISTER OF JAPAN, AND
19 THE HEAD OF NORTH KOREA, IN ATTEMPT TO BREAK DOWN SOME
20 BARRIERS BETWEEN NORTH KOREA AND JAPAN BUT THEY KEPT THEIR
21 DEPENDENTS IN NORTH KOREA, WOULD NOT ALLOW THEM TO LEAVE. A
22 LOT OF THESE CHILDREN THEY DO NOT KNOW WHAT HAPPENED TO THEM.
23 ONE THEY SAID SHE HAD COMMITTED SUICIDE AND THEY GAVE THEM THE
24 REMAINS OF THE INDIVIDUAL, BUT THE REMAINS TURNED TO BE OF
25 ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL SO THEY REALLY DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED TO



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1 THEM. SO THERE IS A GROUP THAT IS SPONSORING THEM IN THE
2 UNITED STATES. THEY'VE MET WITH MEMBERS OF THE ASSISTANT
3 SECRETARY OF STATE, THE MEMBERS OF THE SENATE FOREIGN
4 RELATIONS COMMITTEE AND THEY'RE ASKING IF WE COULD SEND
5 LETTERS OF SUPPORT THAT WE KEEP EFFORTS TO FIND OUT WHAT
6 HAPPENED TO THOSE PEOPLE. AND SO I TOLD THEM I WOULD INTRODUCE
7 A MOTION, WHICH I'LL PUT ON THE AGENDA FOR NEXT WEEK SENDING A
8 FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND THE
9 FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE AND THE PRESIDENT. BUT IT WAS A
10 VERY TOUCHING MEETING WITH THE FOUR FAMILY MEMBERS. SO WE TOLD
11 THE CONSUL GENERAL THAT WE WOULD BRING THIS UP BEFORE THE
12 BOARD TODAY AND I'LL BRING THAT BEFORE THE AGENDA FOR NEXT
13 WEEK. THAT'S ALL I HAVE.

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15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** IF THERE'S NOTHING FURTHER IS THERE -- ARE
16 THERE ANY -- THERE WAS ONE ITEM, SUPERVISOR -- SUPERVISOR
17 MOLINA?

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19 **SUP. MOLINA:** I HAVE TWO MOTIONS FOR NEXT WEEK. TODAY MORE THAN
20 37,000 LEGAL PERMANENT RESIDENTS SERVE IN THE UNITED STATES
21 MILITARY COMPRISING NEARLY 5 PERCENT OF ALL ENLISTED PERSONNEL
22 ON ACTIVE DUTY. OVER 8,000 OF THESE IMMIGRANT SERVICE MEMBERS
23 COME FROM CALIFORNIA. LEGAL IMMIGRANTS NOW SERVING IN OUR
24 ARMED FORCES DISPLAY TREMENDOUS BRAVERY AND PATRIOTISM FOR
25 THIS COUNTRY. WITH THE U.S. AT WAR AND ENGAGED IN A LONG-TERM



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1 COMMITMENT IN THE RECONSTRUCTION EFFORTS IN IRAQ WE NEED TO
2 RECOGNIZE THE SACRIFICE OF THESE MEN AND WOMEN IS NECESSARY
3 AND THOSE WHO WISH TO BECOME U.S. CITIZENS DESERVE TO BE
4 NATURALIZED WITHOUT ANY DELAY. RECENTLY THE CITIES OF LOS
5 ANGELES, CHICAGO, INCLUDING THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HAVE
6 PASSED A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT EFFORTS TO EXPEDITE THE
7 CITIZENSHIP PROCESS FOR MEN AND WOMEN SERVING IN THE MILITARY.
8 I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE
9 COUNTY TO SUPPORT SENATE BILL 789 BY BOXER, AND SEND A FIVE-
10 SIGNATURE LETTER TO PRESIDENT BUSH TO EXPEDITE THE
11 NATURALIZATION SERVICES FOR THE PERMANENT U.S. RESIDENTS
12 SERVING IN THE MILITARY WHO WILL BE HONORABLY DISCHARGED, AND
13 THAT'S FOR NEXT WEEK. IN ADDITION, I HAVE A MOTION THAT I'D
14 LIKE TO INTRODUCE WITH REGARD TO NEXT WEEK. WITH THE COST OF
15 HEALTH CARE PREMIUMS RISING MORE PEOPLE ARE JOINING THE RANKS
16 OF THE UNINSURED. THOSE EMPLOYERS WHO PAY FOR HEALTH COVERAGE
17 ARE CAPPING THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS TO HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN AND
18 EMPLOYEES ARE FINDING IT MORE DIFFICULT TO PAY THEIR
19 INCREASING PREMIUMS. IN THE U.S. 30 PERCENT OF PEOPLE UNDER
20 THE AGE OF 65 ARE UNINSURED. CALIFORNIA'S UNINSURED RATE IS
21 THE FOURTH HIGHEST OF ALL THE STATES IN THE NATION AT 36
22 PERCENT, AND L.A. COUNTY'S UNINSURED RATE IS 30 PERCENT HIGHER
23 THAN THE CALIFORNIA'S OVERALL RATE. SADLY MOST PEOPLE WHO LIKE
24 HEALTH CARE INSURANCE ARE CONNECTED TO THE WORK FORCE. 70
25 PERCENT OF THE UNINSURED ARE EMPLOYED, THEY ARE THE WORKING



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1 POOR. AS THE RECESSION PERSISTS AND THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
2 RISES THE UNINSURED POPULATION WILL CONTINUE TO SWELL AND WILL
3 RELY ON LOS ANGELES COUNTY HEALTH CARE SAFETY NET, DECLINING
4 REVENUES AND INCREASING NUMBERS OF UNINSURED WILL CONTINUE TO
5 OVERWHELM OUR UNDER-FUNDED SYSTEM. THE UNINSURED THEY HAVE
6 LITTLE OR NO ACCESS TO PREVENTIVE CARE AND ARE LESS LIKELY TO
7 BE INSURED AS ADULTS TO BE SCREENED FOR CANCER OR OTHER
8 DISEASES. THE FUNDAMENTAL PROBLEM IS THAT WE TREAT HEALTH CARE
9 AS A COMMODITY AND NOT AS A RIGHT. ONE'S ABILITY TO RECEIVE
10 HEALTH CARE SHOULD NOT BE BASED ON INCOME BUT RATHER ON NEED.
11 I'M GLAD TO SEE THAT LEGISLATORS IN SACRAMENTO ARE WILLING TO
12 TAKE LEADERSHIP ON THIS ISSUE. SENATOR SHEILA KULE HAS
13 INTRODUCED SENATE BILL 921, THE HEALTH CARE FOR ALL
14 CALIFORNIANS ACT. THIS BILL WOULD PROVIDE HEALTH INSURANCE
15 COVERAGE TO ALL CALIFORNIANS THROUGH A SINGLE PAYER INSURANCE
16 PLAN, OFFERED BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. THIS LEGISLATION IS
17 THE BEST SOLUTION FOR PROTECTING L.A. COUNTY'S HEALTHCARE
18 SYSTEM. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD TAKE A SUPPORT
19 POSITION ON SB 921 AND SEND A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER TO SENATOR
20 JACKIE SPHERE, CHAIR OF THE SENATE INSURANCE COMMITTEE,
21 COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY DELEGATION
22 AS WELL AS THE GOVERNOR URGING SUPPORT OF SB 921. BOTH THOSE
23 OF THOSE ITEMS ARE FOR NEXT WEEK. AND THEN I THINK THAT
24 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HAD HAD ONE OF MY ITEMS.

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1 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: 28.

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3 SUP. ANTONOVICH: YEAH, I HAD HELD ITEM 28 AND I JUST WANTED TO
4 SAY THAT RIGHT NOW THIS LEGISLATION WOULD REQUIRE LAW
5 ENFORCEMENT TO REMOVE FROM THE OFFICER'S FILES COMPLAINTS THAT
6 HAVE BEEN FOUND TO BE UNFOUNDED OR FRIVOLOUS AFTER FIVE YEARS.
7 AND I SUPPORT THAT BECAUSE THERE ARE FRIVOLOUS CHARGES THAT
8 SHOULD NOT BE LEFT ON AN OFFICER'S RECORD AND THIS LEGISLATION
9 WOULD CHANGE THAT AND KEEP THAT INFORMATION ON THAT, WHERE AN
10 INFORMATION WHERE AN OFFICER WAS EXONERATED, WHERE THE
11 INFORMATION WAS UNFOUNDED OR AS I SAID WAS FRIVOLOUS, IT COULD
12 NOT BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION WHEN AN OFFICER IS UNDER
13 CONSIDERATION FOR A PROMOTION, TRANSFER OR DISCIPLINED FOR A
14 DIFFERENT INCIDENT. SO I WOULD OPPOSE THIS LEGISLATION.

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16 SUP. KNABE: WHICH ITEM'S THIS?

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18 SUP. BURKE, CHAIR: IT'S ITEM 28, YOU MOVED TO SUPPORT --.

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20 SUP. MOLINA: YEAH, I SUPPORT, AGAIN NO, THE LEGISLATION WOULD
21 BE TO OPPOSE IT. RIGHT NOW IN THIS PARTICULAR LEGISLATION, WE
22 ARE NOT -- IT IS SILENT AS TO WHAT HAPPENS TO THESE RECORDS
23 AFTERWARDS. WHAT THIS BILL DOES, IT MANDATES THEIR
24 DESTRUCTION. AND I THINK THAT WE HAVE HAD A SITUATION HERE AND
25 IT CAN BE SPOKEN TO BY OTHERS BUT THE REALITY IS THAT IN OUR



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1 REVIEW AND IN MERRICK BOBB'S REVIEW OF THESE RECORDS, I THINK
2 IT'S BEEN IMPORTANT TO KEEP MANY OF THEM, AND THOSE
3 DETERMINATIONS AND THOSE DECISIONS SHOULD BE MADE HERE AT A
4 LOCAL LEVEL. IT'S ABOUT LOCAL CONTROL AND AGAIN MAKING THESE
5 THE SHERIFF, IN CONJUNCTION WITH COUNTY COUNCIL AND PROBABLY
6 MERRICK BOBB AND PROBABLY THE O.I.R. SHOULD MAKE
7 DETERMINATIONS AT WHICH RECORDS SHOULD BE DESTROYED AND WHICH
8 RECORDS SHOULD BE KEEP -- BE KEPT. RIGHT NOW WE ARE ONLY TOLD
9 THAT WE MUST KEEP THEM FOR FIVE YEARS, AND WHAT THIS
10 LEGISLATION WOULD DO IT WAS MANDATED THAT THEY BE DESTROYED.
11 SO CONSEQUENTLY I THINK THESE ARE DECISIONS THAT THIS COUNTY
12 SHOULD MAKE ON ITS OWN AND CONSEQUENTLY I'M ASKING THAT WE
13 OPPOSE THE LEGISLATION.

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15 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, SECOND?

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CALL THE ROLL.

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19 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** CALL THE ROLL PLEASE.

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21 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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23 **SUP. MOLINA:** AYE.

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25 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?



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2 **SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY:** AYE.

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4 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** NO.

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8 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO.

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12 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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14 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** AYE.

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16 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** CARRIES.

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18 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE, PUBLIC
19 COMMENT. ANGELA ROJAS, ANJELICA ROJAS, AND JOAQUIN RIVERA
20 MORA, WOULD YOU PLEASE COME FORWARD? AND THERE'S ONE OTHER
21 PERSON, TESSA MARIA MAXWELL.

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23 **TESSA MARIA MAXWELL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, GOOD AFTERNOON CHAIRWOMAN
24 BURKE AND BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS TESSA MARIA
25 MAXWELL, AND I SERVE AS A VOLUNTEER ADVISOR TO PRESIDENT



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1 GEORGE W. BUSH ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE AND REFORM.
2 I STARTED VOLUNTEERING FOR THE WHITE HOUSE UNDER FORMER
3 PRESIDENT CLINTON IN 1997. I HELPED DEVELOP REFORM FOR THE
4 WELFARE SYSTEM AND EDUCATION SYSTEM. THE STANDARD SYSTEM THAT
5 YOU FOLLOW NOW WAS DEVELOPED BY ME. I'M ALSO A MEMBER OF THE
6 FIRST FAMILY TO BE TAUGHT AFRICAN DRUM AND DANCING BY THE LATE
7 ROBERT CHUNDIE MICHAEL ALOCHUNDIE WHO PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 14,
8 2003. MY YOUNGEST BROTHER LIAM OBLIE WAS THE FIRST, HE
9 DESIGNED THE FIRST GYMBAY AFRICAN DRUM THAT'S BEING PLACED ON
10 THE MARKET AND THE LEGISLATURE NOW WANTS TO RECOGNIZE MY
11 FAMILY. WE ARE FORMER STUDENTS OF THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR
12 AFRICAN-AMERICAN ARTISTS, WHICH IS BASED IN ROXBURY,
13 MASSACHUSETTS AND WAS FOUNDED BY MISS ALMA LEWIS. PRESENTLY
14 I'M WORKING ON A PROJECT FOR DISTRICT 8 WHERE I LIVE, SOUTH OF
15 LOS ANGELES AND I'M PLANNING DEVELOPING AS C.E.O. C.F.O. FOR A
16 CULTURAL, VISUAL PERFORMING AND MARTIAL ART INSTITUTE THAT
17 WILL MANDATE ALL THE CULTURES IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND
18 PRESERVE NATURAL RESOURCES AND WILDLIFE. THE SITE FOR THE
19 PROJECT IS THE CORNER OF 54TH AND CRENSHAW, BETWEEN 11TH AND
20 CRENSHAW. ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF THE STREET I'M DEVELOPING
21 AND PLANNING A RECREATION CENTER, AN ART PARK, A FREE AFTER-
22 SCHOOL PROGRAM THAT OPERATES UNTIL 9:30 P.M., AND AN OUTREACH
23 PROGRAM TO HELP SUPPRESS, INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION FOR
24 ESPECIALLY GEARED TOWARD THE MEMBERS OF GANGS. I'M ASKING FOR
25 YOUR ENDORSEMENT AND CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR THE ARTS BY



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1 SUPPORTING MY PROJECT. I'M DEVELOPING THE MARKETING PLAN, THE
2 BUSINESS PLAN, THE MANAGEMENT PLAN, WHICH WILL BE SCHEDULED
3 FOR REVIEW UNDER THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANK AND THE U.S. BANK
4 WHICH IS RIGHT IN THE DISTRICT 8. THERE HAVE BEEN 699 MURDERS
5 IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES SINCE THE PREVIOUS YEAR OF 2001 AND THE
6 MAJORITY OF THE DEATH HAVE BEEN GANG-RELATED. I'M ATTENDING
7 ALL COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETINGS AND I REPORT TO PRESIDENT BUSH
8 ON A MONTHLY BASIS. I'VE DEVELOPED A MARKETING FUNDING
9 STRATEGY THAT WILL START IN OPERATING ENDOWMENT FUNDS FOR THE
10 YOUTH AND THEIR WORKING-CLASS FAMILIES. EVERY TIME I USE A --
11 ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I SAY ON MY BUSINESS CARD IS SOMETIMES
12 GOD HAS A CHILD'S FACE, SO EVERY TIME A YOUTH IS LOST I FEEL
13 IT IN MY GUT. I'VE DEVELOPED -- ALSO MY GOAL IS FOR THE
14 PROJECT TO FUNCTION, FROM 2007 TO 2012 WITHOUT NEEDING THE
15 GRANTS OF THE GOVERNMENT. MY MARKETING STRATEGY I WILL BE
16 PRESENTING TO MAYOR JAMES HAHN WHEN HE ANNOUNCES HIS DATE FOR
17 THE BUDGET BEFORE THE COUNCIL. I'VE BEEN ASKED TO GO BEFORE
18 THE COUNCIL BY COUNCILMAN NICK PACHEKO, AND I WILL ALSO BE
19 SPEAKING BEFORE THE CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILY COMMISSION AT
20 CITY HALL AND I THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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22 **SUP. BURKE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THE OTHER PEOPLE WHO
23 WERE CALLED, THEIR NAMES WERE CALLED? ANGELA ROJAS AND JOAQUIN
24 MORA? ALL RIGHT, IF THERE'S NOTHING FURTHER, THEN THE MEETING
25 IS ADJOURNED.



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2 **CLERK ROBIN GUERRERO:** WELL LET ME MAKE THE ANNOUNCEMENT FOR
3 CLOSED SESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS
4 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
5 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS 2 AND CS 3, WHICH
6 ARE CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNCIL REGARDING EXISTING
7 LITIGATION, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA AND SUPPLEMENTAL
8 AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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1 [NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION,
2 TUESDAY, APRIL 22, 2003.]
3 There was no reportable action as a result of today's Closed
4 Session.
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